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ENT

## LARYNX

- \* Made of 6 cartilages:
- \* 3 unpaired:
  - Thyroid
  - Cricoid
  - Epiglottis
- \* 3 paired:
  - Arytenoids
  - corniculate { rudimentary
  - Cuneiform } cartilage
- \* Thyroid & cricoid are palpable from outside.
- \* ~~MCA~~ ~~cricoid is a <sup>(signet ring)</sup> ring like cartilage~~
- \* Epiglottis & Arytenoids lie inside the larynx.
- \* Epiglottis a leaf like cartilage attached to the midpoint of thyroid cartilage inside larynx.
- \* Epiglottis covers the vocal cords
- \* Vocal cords = Glottis
- \* ~~MCA~~ ~~Epiglottis is elastic cartilage~~
- \* ~~MCA~~ ~~It does not ossify with age.~~

## Arytenoids

- \* Make posterior 1/3 of vocal cord.



- True vocal cord.

## Thyroid angle

- \* It is the angle b/w two lamina of thyroid cartilage.

- \* It In males:  $90^\circ$   
females:  $120^\circ$

- \* Prominence of thyroid cartilage in male is called as:  
Adam's apple

⇒ Males have low pitch voice (thick)

⇒ Females have high pitch voice (sharp)

## Puberphonia

- \* It is high pitch voice in males (feminine voice)

- \* Rx: Speech therapy (6 months)

↓  
GUTZMANN'S MANEUVER

↓  
Person speaks while pushing thyroid cartilage backwards

↓  
If it fails then sx is done  
called as

↓  
Type III Thyroplasty  
(Surgical shortening / loosening  
of the vocal cord.)

## Androphonia

- \* Low pitch voice in females.  
(ie, masculine voice)
- \* Sex Rx: Surgery called as  
↓  
Type IV thyroplasty  
(surgical lengthening / tightening  
of the vocal cord)

⇒ There are 2 membranes outside  
the larynx.

### 1) Thyrohyoid membrane

- ↓  
It is pierced by
  - (i) Internal branch of (SLN)  
superior Laryngeal nerve
  - (ii) Laryngocèle.

### 2) Cricothyroid membrane

- ↓  
It is the site of  
cricothyroidotomy

↓  
It is done in airway  
emergencies when  
tracheostomy is going  
to take time.

## Mucosa of larynx

- \* Larynx is lined by ciliated  
columnar epithelium except  
vocal cord.
- \* Vocal cord is lined by stratified  
squamous epithelium.  
↓  
In some smokers, vocal cord  
epithelium starts shedding  
off at a very fast rate  
↓  
~~MCS~~ called as Keratosis larynx ✓
- It is a pre-malignant condition.
- Chief complaint: Hoarse voice  
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Rx: stripping of vocal cord mucosa  
(decortication)
- + Stop smoking.

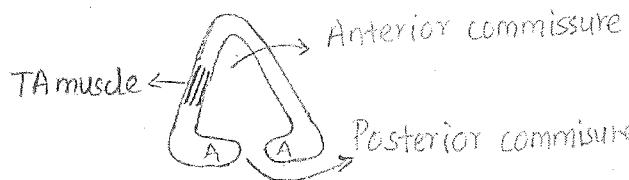
↓  
other Rx: is CO<sub>2</sub> laser cordectomy

- ⇒ Vocal cord in abducted position  
during respiration.
- ⇒ vocal cord in adducted position  
during speaking
- ⇒ Trachea: starts at level of C<sub>6</sub>.

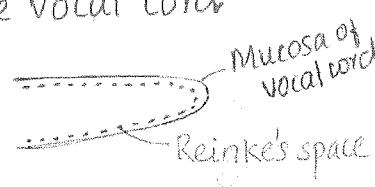
## Division of Larynx

### A) Glottis = True vocal cord

- Length → 18-23 mm in males  
16-17 mm in ♀



- Posterior commissure is also called interarytenoid space.
- Interarytenoid muscle b/w arytenoids.
- Thyroarytenoid muscle lies in the vocal cord.
- MCQ • Reinke's space → subepithelial loose connective tissue layer in the vocal cord



- Edema of Reinke's space is called as Reinke's edema. MCQ
- Causes :
  - Smoking (MC cause)
  - Vocal abuse
- Rx : Stripping of vocal cord mucosa

### B) Supraglottis :

- \* It has 5 parts

- (1) Epiglottis
- (2) Aryepiglottic folds
- (3) false vocal cord / ventricular bands

- (4) Ventricle

- (5) Saccule

\* False vocal cord is the inward turning of aryepiglottic fold. It is rudimentary

\* Ventricle → space b/w true vocal cord & false vocal cord

\* Saccule → mucosal outpouching from the ventricle.



MCQ \* Laryngocele → Abnormally dilated saccule.

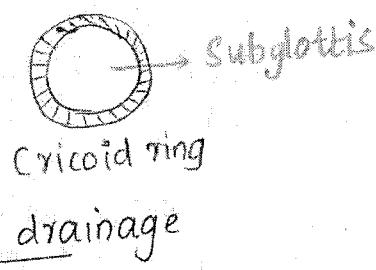
MCQ \* We speak using true vocal cord.

## Dysphonia Plica Ventricularis

- \* It is production of sound from false vocal cord.
- \* Rx : Speech therapy.

### c) Subglottis:

- \* Below ~~the~~ Empty space inside the cricoid ring



- \* Vocal cords have no lymphatics
- \* Supraglottis has rich lymphatics
- \* Subglottis drains into the Delphian lymph node (also called as prelaryngeal LN)

### Functions of larynx

- 1) Primary function is protection of lower airway (ie, lungs)
- 2) Phonation (production of sound)
  - from true vocal cords, in adducted position (closed) in expiratory phase of respiration.

## Muscles of larynx

- \* Abductor
  - Only one abductor muscle

MCA ↓  
Posterior cricoarytenoid muscle

- \* Adductors (4)

- 1) Lateral cricoarytenoid muscle
- 2) Inter arytenoid muscle
- 3) Thyroarytenoid muscle
- 4) Cricothyroid muscle.

- \* Tensor muscles

- (1) Cricothyroid muscle (main)
- (2) Vocalis

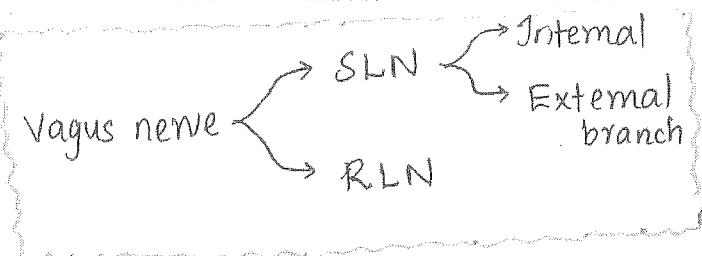
↓  
Provides quality of voice  
(ability to change  
the frequency)

- \* All these muscles lies inside the larynx except cricothyroid.

### Nerve supply

- \* All these muscles are supplied by → Recurrent laryngeal nerve (RLN) except cricothyroid

↓  
which is supplied by the external division of SLN  
(sup. laryngeal nerve)



### Sensory supply of larynx

- \* Above vocal cord → Internal branch of SLN
- \* Below vocal cord → RLN
- \* Vocal cord → Both of nerves.

Difference b/w paediatric & adult larynx

	Paediatric	Adult
Location	High in neck $C_2 - C_3$	Low in neck $C_3 - C_6$
• Narrowest part	Subglottis (MCA)	Glottis

⇒ A patient while having dinner suddenly gets a chocking sensation & aphonia

↓  
food bolus stuck as laryngeal foreign body.

↓  
Immediate Rx: Heimlich's maneuver

↓  
Pressure is given on epigastric in upward & backward direction.

\* Laryngocele → presented as air filled neck swelling

\* Bryce Sign: Gurgling sound produced when laryngocele is pressed.

\* Rx. of laryngocele: Excision  
vocal cord paralysis

\* Left : Right = 4:1

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Because of longer course of left recurrent laryngeal nerve

\* Relations of left RLN:

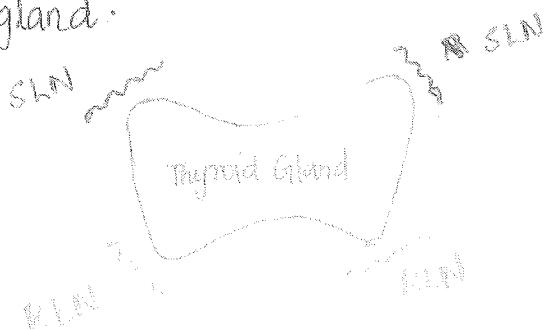
- Arch of Aorta
- Left Atrium
- Left Lung
- Left bronchus
- Oesophagus
- Mediastinal LN

\* Relations of right RLN

- Subclavian artery
- Apex of Rt. lung

\* Common relations:

In the neck, both the nerves lies close to lower pole of thyroid gland.



## Causes of vocal cord paralysis

- 1) Idiopathic (unknown)
- 2) Carcinoma bronchus
- 3) Carcinoma thyroid
- 4) Carcinoma esophagus
- 5) Thyroid surgery
- 6) Neck trauma
- 7) Vagus paralysis (RLN is a branch of it)

MCC

⇒ MCC of unilateral vocal cord paralysis

Idiopathic > Ca bronchus (malignancy)

MCC

⇒ Ortner's syndrome: Left atrio-megally causing left vocal cord paralysis.

(Rheumatic heart disease → left atriomegally)

## Bilateral abductor palsy

\* Cause: When both RLN are cut during thyroid surgery



Only cricothyroid muscle left & it is an adductor



Both vocal cord comes in midline position

(Median / Paramedian position)

Respiration distress & stridor

Normal voice

\* Immediate Rx. → Tracheostomy



Wait for 6 months  
(chance for shrinking of VC)



If no improvement



MCC Rx OC: Type II thyroplasty  
(Lateralisation of vocal cord)



Other Rx: CO<sub>2</sub> laser cordectomy / CO<sub>2</sub> laser arytenoidectomy

## Bilateral adductor paralysis

When both side RLN & SLN are cut during thyroid surgery

OR

When vagus is paralysed on both sides



No muscle left now



Vocal cord lie in cadaveric position (Intermediate position)

i.e., open

Aphonia

Aspiration



Wait for 6 months



If no recovery seen

↓

Rx OC : Type I thyroplasty  
(Medialisation of vocal cord)

↓

Other Rx : Teflon injection in  
to the vocal cord.

MCA

⇒ If SLN is cut during ~~thyroid~~  
(DNB) thyroid surgery

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Cricothyroid lost  
(main tensor muscle)

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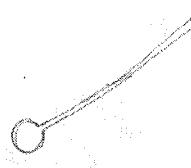
Poor quality of voice.

Methods to examine larynx :

1) Indirect laryngoscopy (I/L)

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With the help of  
I/L mirror



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(DNB) The mirror surface is warmed  
before using

↓

MCA I/L does not shows :

- 1) Anterior commissure of VC
- 2) Laryngeal surface of epiglottis
- 3) Ventricle
- 4) Subglottis

2) Fibre optic laryngoscopy (FOL)

↓

Done with the help of  
flexible endoscope, passed  
through the nose.

3) Direct Laryngoscopy (D/L)

It is an OT procedure.

Done inside operation theatre

↓

D/L is always held in the  
left hand of right handed doctor

⇒ I/L & FOL are done in OPD  
But D/L in OT.

Micro laryngeal surgery (MLS)

It is surgery of vocal cord  
done under the microscope.

MCA

↓  
Focal length of ENT microscope

Ear : 200 mm / 250 mm

Nose : 300 mm

Larynx : 400 mm

( E 2 )  
( N 3 )  
( T 4 )

⇒ MLS is pneumonic of thyroplasty

M → I (medialisation)

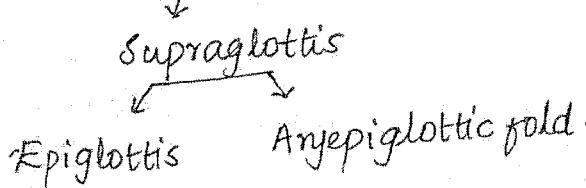
L → II (lateralisation) of  
vocal cord

S → III (shortening)

IV (lengthening/tightening)

## Laryngomalacia (Important)

- \* Also called as congenital laryngeal stridor
- \* MC congenital anomaly of larynx.
- \* It is weakness of larynx



- \* Chief complaint - Inspiratory stridor  
(stridor → noisy breathing)
- \* Stridor starts in the first week of life.
- \* It increases on crying (deep inspirat.)
- \* It decreases in prone position (lie on tummy)
- \* Examination shows omega shaped epiglottis (folded)



- \* Rx : No Rx. required  
(= Conservative Rx.)

Reassure parents that it is a self-limiting condition.

- \* In laryngomalacia, cry is normal because vocal cords are normal.
- \* Laryngomalacia is the MCC of congenital laryngeal stridor (or neonatal stridor)

## Paediatric laryngeal infections

These are airway emergencies  
(due to edema of larynx)

### (1) Acute Epiglottitis:

- \* Infection of supraglottis
- \* Caused by H. influenza B (Hib)

\* Age : 2-7 years

\* Chief complaint :

- Fever
- Respiratory distress
- Stridor

\* Child sits down bending forwards



### TRIPOD SIGN

\* X-ray soft tissue neck, lateral view shows



### Thumb sign

(swollen epiglottis)

\* Rx :

- (1) First establish the airway by intubation / tracheostomy
- (2) Antibiotics
- (3) Steroids

## (2) Acute laryngotracheobronchitis

- \* Also as ALTB / Croup.
- \* Infection of complete airway but subglottis is most affected (subglottis - narrow in paed.)
- \* Caused by parainfluenza virus
- \* Age: 3 months - 3 years.
- \* MC in boys
- \* Chief complaint:
  - Fever
  - Respiratory distress
  - Stridor, wheezing
  - Cough \*

\* X-ray soft tissue neck, AP view  
will shows  
steeplesign  
(narrowing of subglottis)

### Rx:

- (1) Airway
- (2) Steroids
- (3) Bronchodilator:  
eg: Salbutamol nebulisation
- (4) Antibiotics

## (3) Juvenile papilloma of larynx

- \* It is caused by HPV-6, 11 (Human Papilloma virus)
- \* Source of infection is mother during birth (genital HPV in mother - warts)
- \* Examination: Viral warts in larynx.  
(Warts = Papilloma)
- \* These warts can also spread to trachea, bronchi & lungs.
- \* It is a premalignant condition (can cause laryngeal cancer)
- \* Chief complaint:
  - Hoarse voice
  - Respiratory difficulty

### Rx:

- (1) CO<sub>2</sub> laser excision surgery
- \* Recurrence is very common.

## Tuberculosis of larynx

- \* Secondary to pulmonary TB
- \* Posterior part of larynx in early stages (due to steroids)
- \* And gradually it spreads anteriorly
- \* It is a painful condition due to ulcer formation.  
(Usually TB is painless)

\* Symptoms:

- 1) Weakness of voice (MCQ)
- 2) Painful phonation

\* Signs:

- 1) Mouse bitten appearance of vocal cord (MCQ)
- 2) Turban epiglottis (MCQ)

\* Diagnosis:

DL + Biopsy

(DL → Direct laryngoscopy)

\* Rx: ATT (Antitubercular treatment) (therapy)

Lupus of larynx

\* No pulmonary TB

\* Involves anterior part of larynx in early stages

\* Painless condition

\* It is Atypical TB

Vocal nodules

\* Also called as Singer's nodule / Teacher's nodule. (MCQ)

\* Cause: Vocal abuse

\* Always bilateral

\* Site - Junction of anterior  $\frac{1}{3}$  & posterior  $\frac{2}{3}$  of vocal cord.



Because this is the most vibrating part of vocal cord

\* Chief complaint - :

- Hoarse voice

\* Rx:

Voice rest / Speech therapy

\* Also called as Screamer's nodule.

Vocal polyps

\* Cause: Vocal abuse

\* Unilateral

\* Site - Ant.  $\frac{1}{3}$  & Post.  $\frac{2}{3}$  junction

\* C/C : Hoarseness of voice

Diplophonia sometimes  
↓

(Patient can produce two different types of sound at the same time)

\* Rx: MLS (micro laryngeal sx) followed by speech therapy

Intubation granuloma

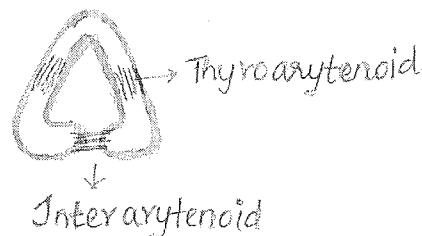
\* Cause: Faulty intubation (Irradiogenic)

\* Site: Junction of ant.  $\frac{2}{3}$  & post  $\frac{1}{3}$  of vocal cord.

\* Rx: Voice rest

## Phonaesthesia

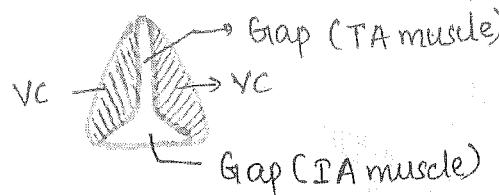
- \* Weakness of adductor muscles of vocal cord.  
i.e., thyroarytenoid & interarytenoid muscles.



- \* Some gap will be left b/w vocal cords during phonation

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this gap looks like keyhole  
↓

(MCQ) called as key hole glottis



- \* Rx: Speech therapy

## Mogiaphonia

- \* Speech problem in public appearance only.  
(Mike - Mogiaphonia)

- \* Rx: Behavioural therapy

## Rhinolalia

### aperta aperta

- \* Hypernasality

- \* Seen in:

- Cleft palate
- Palatal perforation
- Palatal palsy

(Palate → Aperta)

## Rhinolalia

### clausa clausa

- \* Hyponasality

- \* Seen in :

- Nasal polyp
- Adenoid hyper trophy
- Angiofibroma

## Functional aphonia

- \* Also as hysterical aphonia

- \* Patient is pretending the symptoms of loss of voice

- \* Actually voice is normal (MCQ)

- \* MC in young females (20 years)

- \* Cough sound is normal and this (MCQ) proves the diagnosis

- \* On examination, vocal cord movements are normal.

- \* Rx: Psychiatric consultation

## Cancer larynx

- \* MC in males, 40-60 years

- \* Risk factor:

- 1) smoking
- 2) Alcohol

- \* It has 3 types:

- (1) Glottic cancer
- (2) Supraglottic cancer
- (3) Subglottic cancer

### \* Glottic cancer:

- Cancer of vocal cord
- It is the most common type of laryngeal cancer.
- C/C: Hoarse voice
  - ↓
    - ∴ Detected earliest
- No neck node metastasis (no lymphatics)
- Good prognosis.

### \* Supraglottic cancer:

- Epiglottis is MC site
- C/C: Throat pain, dysphagia, feeling of lump in throat, hot potato voice
- Neck node metastasis are common (rich in lymphatics)

### \* Subglottic cancer:

- Very rare
- Stridor (MCQ)
- Investigations:
  - (1) O/L + Biopsy  
(O/L - Direct laryngoscopy)
  - (2) CT scan of neck
    - Neck node staging (N)
    - Spread of tumour (T)
  - (3) X-ray chest:
    - To rule out distant metastasis (M)

↓  
This gives TNM staging of tumour.

### Tumour staging

- \* T<sub>1</sub> → Only one structure involved
- \* T<sub>2</sub> → More than 1 structure involved
- \* T<sub>3</sub> → Vocal cord is fixed / immobile
- \* T<sub>4</sub> → Invasion of thyroid cartilage or extralaryngeal extension

### Treatment

- \* Carcinoma *in situ* of vocal cord (not yet started)

↓  
Laser cordectomy >  
Stripping of VC mucosa

- \* T<sub>1</sub> cancer:

CO<sub>2</sub> laser surgery > Radiotherapy

- \* T<sub>2</sub> cancer:

Radiotherapy

- \* T<sub>3</sub> & T<sub>4</sub> cancer:

Total laryngectomy  
+  
Radical neck dissection

↓  
followed by radiotherapy

- \* After total laryngectomy, patient has permanent tracheostomy.

↓  
Cannot speak, cannot smell (no nose breathing)  
↓  
Cannot taste food properly (half taste is via aroma)

\* Vocal rehabilitation after laryngectomy



3 methods.

(1) Oesophageal voice:

- Difficult technique to learn
- Poor quality voice

(2) Electrolarynx / Artificial larynx:

- Hand held, battery operated mechanical vibrator.

(3) Tracheo-oesophageal puncture device (TEP device)

- Valve like device
- It is surgically fitted b/w trachea and oesophagus
- eg: Blom Singer prosthesis

## Tracheostomy

\* Its main indication is to secure the airway when intubation

cannot be done      should not be done

- Severe laryngeal edema
- Laryngeal foreign body

- Laryngeal diphtheria
- Cervical spine injury

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\* Tracheostomy reduces dead space by 50% (dead space is from nose up to bronchi - no air exchange)

\* Cuff of tracheostomy tube helps to decrease aspiration

but this cuff can cause tracheomalacia

↓  
- So high volume, low pressure cuffs are used.

- Deflate the cuff for 5 minutes every 2 hours.

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\* Level of tracheostomy is 2nd & 3rd tracheal ring

↓  
we leave 1st ring to prevent any damage to larynx.

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\* High tracheostomy starts from 1st ring → done in cancer larynx

### Emergency tracheostomy

- Vertical skin incision
- Quick
- But scar is bad

### Elective tracheostomy

- Horizontal incision
- More time
- But better scar

## Paediatric tracheostomy

- Soft trachea
- A vertical incision on the trachea & tube is placed.

## Adult tracheostomy

- Hard trachea
- A circular portion of ant. tracheal wall is removed → tube is placed.

## \* Complications of tracheostomy:

- (1) surgical emphysema  
Air in subcutaneous plane
- (2) Hemorrhage
- (3) Apnea  
(due to  $\text{CO}_2$  washout) (MLB)
- (4) Pneumothorax
  - MC in children
  - Due to ~~to~~ high lung apex
- (5) Tube displacement
  - MC in children
- (6) Tube blockage  
(due to improper suction)  
↓  
remove the tube immediately and replace with new tube.
- (7) Tracheomalacia
- (8) Subglottic stenosis

## \* Tracheostomy tubes:

### (1) PVC (Poly Vinyl Chloride)

- Cuffed.
- Uncuffed.

### (2) Metallic:

eg: Chevalier Jackson tube



It has an outer tube & an inner tube



Inner tube is longer



To clean the tube only inner tube is removed, cleaned & replaced. Outer tube is left as such.

# EAR

## Embryology

### 1) Pinna:

- Tragus → First arch
- Rest of Pinna → 2<sup>nd</sup> arch.
- Insisura terminalis → junction of first arch & 2<sup>nd</sup> arch.

mca It has no cartilage.

If this union is incomplete

lead to pre-auricular sinus

If recurrent infection

Excision

Asymptomatic

No Rx

• Anotia : Absence of pinna

• Microtia : Small pinna

• A normal pinna has two curvatures (C-shaped)
 

- Helix (large)
- Antihelix (small)

mca • If Antihelix is absent, it is called BAT ear.

mca Plastic reconstruction of pinna is done after 6 years of age.



Because pinna grows to maximum size by this age.

- Pinna & Cochlea completes embryological development by 20<sup>th</sup> week.

### 2) Tympanic Membrane:

- mca \* Develops from all 3 layers
- Ectoderm
  - Endoderm
  - Mesoderm

∴ Tympanic membrane is made of 3 layers

- 1) Skin
- 2) Mucosa
- 3) Middle fibrous layer

### 3) Ossicles

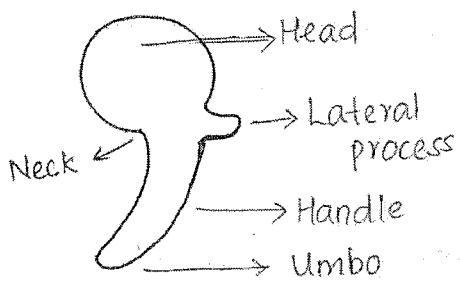
\* Malleus } Develops from the  
Incus } first arch

\* Stapes - from 2<sup>nd</sup> arch  
(Stapes - Second arch)

\* SIZE : M > I > S

mca \* Stapes is the smallest bone of the body.

## Malleus



## 3) Cochlea

- \* Develops from Otic capsule (Neuro ectoderm)

### \* MCQs

- Middle ear, ossicles, cochlea  
↓  
are of adult size at birth  
(don't grow after birth)

- Mastoid tip is absent at birth, it develops by 2 years of age.  
(M tip - prominent area in M)

## PINNA

- \* Made of yellow elastic cartilage covered by skin.

- \* Skin is attached to pinna on lateral surface (lateral = front)

- € It is loose on medial surface (back)

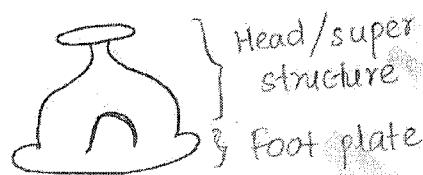
- \* Nerve supply of pinna.

- 1) Greater auricular nerve
- 2) Lesser occipital nerve
- 3) Auriculo temporal nerve
- 4) Auricular branch of vagus
- 5) Sensory division of facial nerve.

- \* Greater auricular nerve supplies lobule (lower, soft, earring area)

- \* 3, 4, 5 → supplies external auditory canal (EAC)

## Stapes



⇒ Foot plate is attached to the oval window of cochlea.

\* Stapes acts like a piston



If this piston gets fixed, leads to



Otosclerosis

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\* Boxer's ear / Cauliflower ear:

It is post traumatic deformity of pinna.

Cause: Trauma



Hematoma of pinna



Necrosis of cartilage

MCA: Pinna hematoma should be drained immediately.

External Auditory Canal (EAC)

\* It is 24 mm in length

\* Outer 8 mm → Cartilaginous

\* Inner 16 mm → Bony

\* Bony EAC is made by the tympanic part of temporal bone

\* It is lined by skin.

\* Outer part of skin has hair follicles & ceruminous glands

↓ (wax)

Some people produce more wax



They can have blockage of EAC due to wax collection



30 dB (deibell) hearing loss



Rx: Ear syringing

(water → ear → remove wax)



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Direction of water is posterosuperior.

\* If there is live insect in EAC

MCA

Put oil in EAC to kill it & then remove it.

\* There are natural defense in EAC



In cartilaginous part



MCA k/a fissure of Santorini

In bony part



k/a fissure of Huschke

\* Direction of EAC is :

Inward, downward forward

∴ During examination of ear, the pinna is pulled in upward outward backward direction.

\* Nerve supply of EAC:

1) Auriculotemporal nerve

(supplies anterior wall and roof of EAC)

2) Auricular branch of vagus

k/a Arnold's nerve or Aldermann's nerve

(lies in posterior wall & floor of EAC)

⇒ Sensory ↓

stimulation of this nerve leads to cough

MCA

3) Sensory division of <sup>facial</sup> vagus nerve

(supplies posterosuperior part of EAC)



Loss of sensation in the posterosuperior part of EAC is a feature of Acoustic Neuroma (8<sup>th</sup> nerve tumour)



mca This sign is k/a Hitzelberger sign.

### Diseases of EAC

#### 1) Diffuse otitis externa:

\* Infection of whole of skin of the EAC

mca \* Also called as Tropical ear, Singapore ear, swimmer ear, telephone ear

#### 2) Localized otitis externa:

\* Also called Furunculosis

\* Staphylococcal infection of hair follicle.

\* Seen in the outer part of EAC

mca \* Rx: IGI packing in EAC  
(Ichthammol Glycerine packy)

#### 3) Malignant otitis externa: (full mud)

\* Infection of underlying bone ~~with~~ of EAC.

\* Also k/a Skull base osteomyelitis

\* Seen in elderly diabetics

\* Caused by Pseudomonas

\* clinical features:

1) Severe ear ache

2) Granulations in EAC

3) Facial nerve is most commonly involved.

4) 9, 10, 11, 12 nerve palsy may or may not present

\* Investigation is

TC bone scan (TC: Technetium)

\* DOC: 3<sup>rd</sup> generation Cephalosporin

#### 4) Otomycosis:

\* It is fungal infection of EAC

mca \* MC fungus is Aspergillus niger

mca \* Examination:

wet newspaper appearance

\* Rx: Ear Tolut (cleaning)

+

Antifungal ear drops

## 5) Exostosis

- \* Surfer ear
- \* Hyperplasia of bony EAC
- \* MC in water sports persons.



- \* Rx: Canaloplasty

## Tympanic Membrane

- \* Also k/a Myring
- \* It is a part of external ear (Ext ear → Pinna, EAC, TM)
- \* It is pearly grey / white in colour.
- \* Oval in shape.
- \* 9-10 mm in diameter
- \* Surface area is  $90 \text{ mm}^2$ .
- \* Peripheral part is more mobile than central part.
- \* It lies at an angle of  $55^\circ$  with horizontal.
- \* It shows 4 landmarks:
  - 1) Handle of Malleus
  - 2) Lateral process of malleus
  - 3) Cone of light.
  - 4) Umbo.
- \* Cone of light → produced by reflection of light from handle of malleus. (otoscope light)

In right ear it is at 5' o'clock  
left ear - 7' o'clock

- \* It shows mobility on Seigelisation (putting air pressure on tympanic membrane)

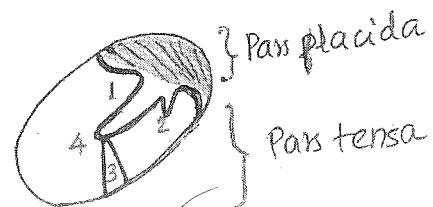
- \* It has two parts

- 1) Pars tensa
  - Has 3 layers

- 2) Pars flaccida

- Has 2 layers (fibrous layer is absent)
- Also k/a Sharpnells membrane.

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Right TM

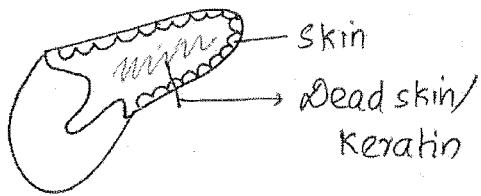
- \* Retracted TM: It is due to the eustachian tube blockage which produces negative pressure in middle ear.

↓  
TM gets sucked inside

- Dull in appearance
- Cone of light absent
- On Seigelisation, mobility is reduced or absent

## ■ Retracted Retraction Pocket

- Too much of retraction
- MC seen in pars flaccida
- It is lined by skin & filled by keratin (dead skin)



\* Middle ear has 3 parts:

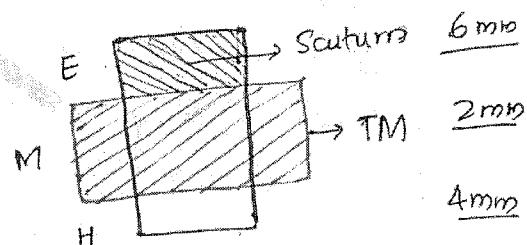
- 1) Epitympanum (= ATTIC)
- 2) Mesotympanum
- 3) Hypotympanum

\* mesotympanum (m) covered by TM

\* Epi & Hypo are covered by the bone.

~~mca~~ \* The bone which covers attic is k/a scutum.

(Attic = Epitympanum)



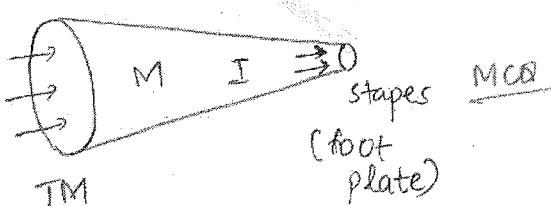
\* Depth of 6 mm, 2 mm, 4 mm (E, M, H)  
b/w TM &

\* sensory supply:

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Tympanic branch of  
Glossopharyngeal nerve  
also k/a Jacobson's nerve

↓  
This nerve is a cause of  
Referred otalgia in

- Tonsilitis
- Tonsillectomy
- Cancer of base of tongue.



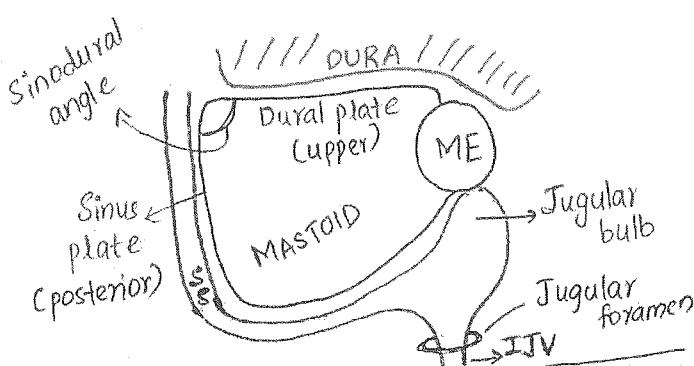
\* Middle ear transformer ratio

18:1

(18 times difference in areas  
amplification of sound)

\* 6 walls of middle ear:

- 1) Roof → Above roof lies dura of temporal lobe of brain.
- 2) Floor → Below the floor lies jugular bulb.



- SS - Sigmoid sinus / Lateral sinus
- Neck → below jugular foramen → internal jugular vein
- B/w dural plate & sinus plate  
Sinodural angle or  
Citelli's angle.

3) Anterior wall → It has 2 opening

- Lower : Eustachian tube (ET)

- Upper : Tensor tympani muscle (TT)

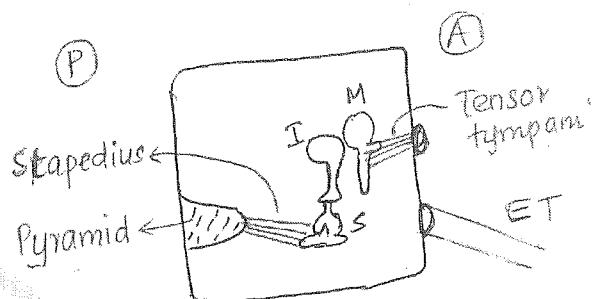
(which attaches to Malleus)

↓  
TT is supplied by  
mandibular division of  
Trigeminal nerve (TT.T)

4) Posterior wall → has projection called Pyramid (MCB)

↓  
from that stapedius muscle comes out, which is ~~to~~ present in stapes

↓  
supplied by facial nerve



\* Incus has no muscle, so it has least blood supply

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∴ MC eroded ossicle in the CSOM (middle ear infection)

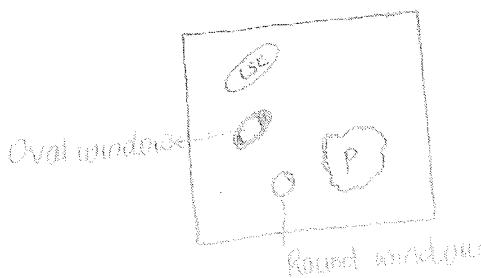
5) Medial wall of ME

Behind this wall lies inner ear. So it has 2 projections of inner ear

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(i) Promontory (projection of basal turn of cochlea)

(ii) Lateral semicircular canal bulge



\* Has 2 windows for inner ear

1) Oval window (covered by stapes)

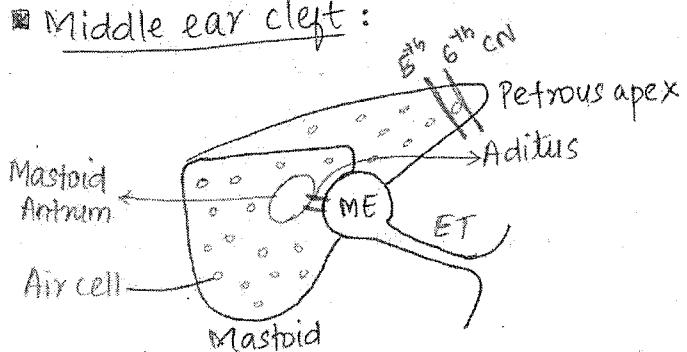
2) Round window (covered by round window membrane)

MCQ

Also k/a secondary tympanic membrane.

6) Lateral wall.

### Middle ear cleft:



\* Middle ear cleft has 5 parts

1) ET (Eustachian tube)

2) ME (Middle Ear)

3) Aditus (connects Antrum to middle ear)

4) Mastoid Antrum

(most constant & largest, cont mastoid air cell)

5) Rest of air cell.

\* At petrous area has 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> CN

### Diseases of Middle Ear cleft

#### 1) ASOM

\* Acute suppurative otitis media

\* It is infection of middle ear mucosa by pyogenic organisms.

\* MC - Streptococcus pneumoniae

\* C/C - Earache

\* Examination → Red TM with dilated capillaries

k/a Cart wheel appearance



\* Rx → Medical management

• If a person of ASOM has

red, bulging TM (ie, pus)



Rx: Myringotomy



It is done in posteroinferior quadrant.

• A person with ASOM with

perforation → if took Rx → it will heal → healed perforation

• If no Rx of 3 months →

skin will form on margin →

permanent perforation → converts to ~~narrow~~ safe CSOM (chronic)



↓  
Perforation persists until we do surgery.

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\* First step of any mastoid Sx is finding the mastoid antrum.  
↓

Surgical landmark for antrum is McEvan's triangle / Suprameatal triangle.



## 2) Acute mastoiditis

- \* It is infection of mastoid air cells
- \* It is a complication of ASOM or CSOM

\* C/C : Pain behind the ear; Fever, ~~perforate~~ ear ~~discharge~~ profuse ear discharge (every air cells produce pus)

### \* Signs

- mcg
- First sign is Ironing of mastoid surface (smooth & shining appearance)
  - Mastoid tenderness +ve (press → pain)
  - Pus keeps flowing from mastoid to middle ear.

On cleaning the middle ear, pus fills again.

The pus column keeps moving

mcg ↓  
Reservoir sign

mcg ↓  
Light house sign  
(as pus moves, otoscope light also moves)

## 3) Petrositis

- mcg
- \* Also k/a Gradinego syndrome
  - \* It is infection of petrous apex air cells
  - \* It is a complication of ASOM or CSOM
  - \* 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> CN passes petrous apex

- mcg
- \* C/F of Gradinego syndrome:
    - 1) Ear discharge
    - 2) Retroorbital pain (5<sup>th</sup>)
    - 3) Diplopia (6<sup>th</sup> CN)

\* Rx : Surgery → Cortical mastoidectomy

or

Schwanitz Schwartz operation

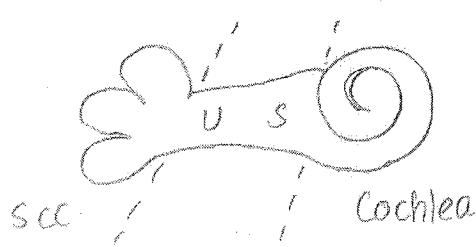
\* Rx: Surgical management

### Eustachian tube:

- \* 36 mm in length (mcq)
- \* Outer 12 mm is bony
- \* Inner 24 mm is cartilaginous
- \* At birth, it is a horizontal tube
- \* In adults, it has  $45^\circ$  angle with the horizontal.
- \* Eustachian tube opens in nasopharynx
- \* It opens 1.25 cm behind the posterior end of inferior turbinate
- \* Tensor palati muscle opens the tube ~~when~~ while swallowing

### INNER EAR. (Imp)

- \* Also k/a Labyrinth
- \* 2 parts:
  - Membranous labyrinth
  - Bony labyrinth.
- \* Membranous labyrinth is actual inner ear
- \* Bony labyrinth is the <sup>bony</sup> cover



\* 3 parts

- 1) Cochlea
- 2) Utricle & Saccule
- 3) Semicircular canal

\* Cochlea → hearing

\* U & S → Linear balance

\* Canal → Angular balance

\* ~~Cochlea has Organ of Corti~~

\* Every part has sensory end organ

\* Cochlea → Organ of Corti

\* U & S - Macula

\* SCC - Crista

### Fluids of inner ear:

\* Inner ear is filled with Endolymph

\* It is surrounded by Perilymph

### Endolymph (All MCQs)

- \* Produced by stria vascularis of cochlea
- \* Absorbed by endolymphatic sac
- \* Continuous production & absorption
- \* If endolymphatic sac does not absorb properly, leads to

↓  
Menier's disease

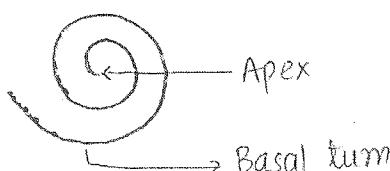
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causes cochlear damage due to high endolymph pressure

## Perilymph

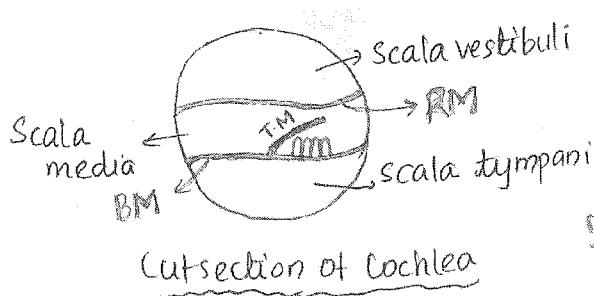
- \* It is equal to CSF
- \* CSF is connected to perilymph via Aqueduct of cochlea.  
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can cause post meningitic deafness (through CSF reach IE)

## Cochlea

- \* Has  $2\frac{3}{4}$  turns



- \* Apex also k/a Helicotrema.
- \* Basal turn senses high frequency sound.
- \* Apex senses low frequency sound.



- \* Reissner's membrane b/w SV & SM
- \* Basilar membrane b/w SM & ST
- \* Basilar membrane has organ of Corti
- \* Tectorial membrane covers organ of Corti.
- \* Endolymph → in SM
- \* Perilymph → in SV, ST

## Utricle & Saccule

- \* Also k/a Vestibule or Otolithic organs.
- \* Helps in linear balance.
  - \* Saccule controls vertical movement
  - \* Utricle controls horizontal movement
- \* Saccule is connected to cochlea via Ductus Reuniens.

## Macula

- \* It is the sensory end organ of Utricle & Saccule.
- \* It is surrounded by a gelatinous layer which has  $\text{CaCO}_3$  crystals k/a Otoconia / Otolith
- \* 2 macula → 1 in Utricle & 1 in saccule

- \* Otoconia / Otolith → if they turn free and reach semi-circular canal → leads to Vertigo (mechanism) → this disease is called BPPV

## BPPV

- \* Benign Paroxysmal Positional Vertigo
- \* Cause: Displaced Otoconia
- \* MC otoconia reaches posterior semi circular canal.

- \* C/C : Vertigo for few seconds on changing head position
- \* Diagnostic procedure:
  - Dix-Hallpike maneuver:  
(Nystagmus - jerky movement of eye) (when head turn to person's side & suddenly down)
  - Rx: Epley's maneuver.
  - BPPV is the MCC of peripheral vertigo / Vertigo (ear related)
  - Central Vertigo is very rare.

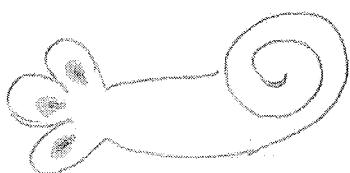
### Semicircular canal

- 1) Lateral / Horizontal SCC
- 2) Posterior SCC.
- 3) Superior SCC.
- \* 3 canals have 5 openings, because one limb of posterior and superior canal is fused.

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fusion k/a Crus commune

### Crista

- \* It is the sensory end organ of SCC
- \* It is surrounded by a gelatinous layer which is k/a Cupula



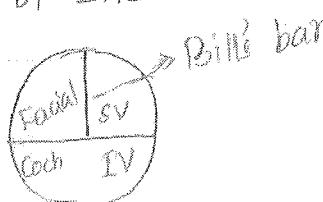
### Bithermal caloric test

- \* Test for only lateral SCC
  - \* Steps:
    - Patient is made to lie supine with head tilted to 30°.
    - EAC is irrigated with warm (44°C) & cold (30°C) water.
- ↓  
Produces Nystagmus in the normal people
- \* Direction of Nystagmus - COWS
    - Cold H<sub>2</sub>O → Eyes move to opposite side
    - Warm H<sub>2</sub>O → Eyes move to same side
- (right ear H<sub>2</sub>O → right side eye movement)

### Internal Auditory Canal (IAC)

- \* 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> CN pass through IAC to enter the ear.
- \* 8<sup>th</sup> CN is made of 3 division:
  - 1) Superior vestibular division
  - 2) Inferior vestibular division
  - 3) Cochlear division

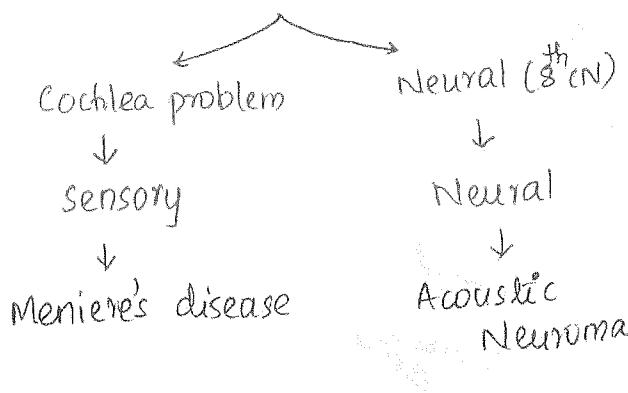
- \* Cut section of IAC:



- \* Bill's bar is the vertical bony septum in upper part of IAC
- Tuning fork test
- MWB \* MC used tuning fork is 512 Hz.  
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Good sound & less vibration.

## Audiology

- \* Hearing loss - 2 types:
  - 1) Conductive hearing loss (CHL)
  - 2) Sensory neural hearing loss (SNHL)
- \* CHL: Any problem from pinna to stapes.  
eg: Wax, CSOM, Glue ear; Otosclerosis,
- \* SNHL: Any problem in inner ear & 8<sup>th</sup> CN.



- \* We can hear sound in 2 ways

- 1) Air conduction (AC)
  - \* Natural way of hearing
- 2) Bone conduction (BC)
  - Directly reaches cochlea
  - So it checks cochlea only
  - MWB • Thus it is poor in SNHL only

Test	Normal	CHL	SNHL
• Rinne	AC > BC +ve	BC > AC -ve	AC > BC +ve
• Weber	In centre of forehead	In the poor ear	In the better ear
• ABC	Equal	Equal	↓ ↓

- \* ABC - Absolute bone conduction
- \* Rinne → tuning fork → best heard in mastoid & in air
- \* Weber → tuning fork at forehead → heard sound where?
- \* ABC poor only in SNHL
- \* False -ve Rinne in ~~all~~ unilateral severe SNHL

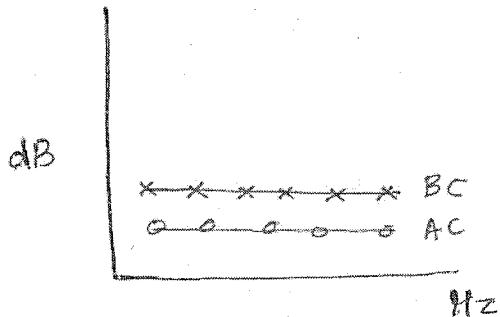
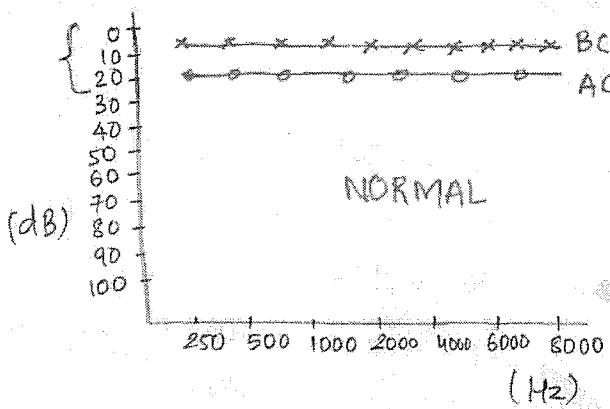
↓  
It is due to trans cranial transmission of sound to other side cochlea when bone conduction is been checked on diseased side

⇒ **[MCQ Tip]**: If Rinne is given -ve and Weber is heard in better ear. Then Ans: is Unilateral severe SNHL

- \* Gelle's test → It is a tuning fork test. It was used in the past to diagnose Otosclerosis.

### Pure tone audiometry (PTA)

- \* Also known Audiogram
- \* It is a subjective test of hearing
- \* PTA calculates level of hearing of both ears of patient on different frequencies from 250 - 8000 Hz.  
in AC & BC both.



SNHL

- \* Both AC & BC are poor (Cochlea damaged)

### Basic rules

- \* Red line for right ear
- \* Blue line for left ear
- \* BC → Open mouth symbols <>, [ ]
- \* AC → Closed mouth symbols O, Δ, □, X

### BERA

- BERA
- \* Brain stem Evoked Response Audiometry
  - \* Used for children
  - \* It is an objective test of hearing
  - \* Principle

We give sound to ear

↓  
We record electrical activity from auditory pathway in brain stem area.

- \* BC Normal
- \* AC poor
- \* AB gap present

### CONDUCTIVE HEARING LOSS

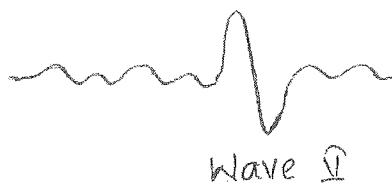
\* BC Normal

\* AC poor

\* AB gap present

## Auditory Pathway

- E - Eighth nerve
- c - cochlear nucleus
- O - Olivary complex Superior
- L - Lateral lemniscus
- I - Inferior colliculus



\* Wave I is produced by lateral lemniscus.

## Uses of BERA

- 1) Paediatric patients
- 2) Malingeringers (to check tells lie abt loss of hearing or not)

## OAES

\* Oto acoustic emission

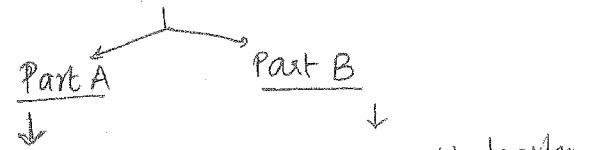
\* Principle : when we give sound to healthy cochlea

it produces echoes from outer hair cells \*

These echoes are k/a OAE

\* OAE is the ideal hearing screening investigation.

## Tympanometry



This test checks freedom of movements in the TM & ossicles in change of air pressure

### Part A

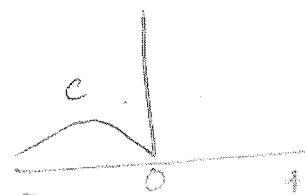
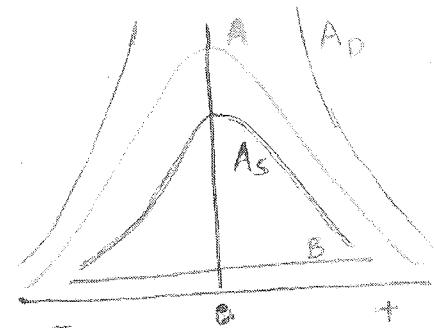
\* Shows 5 types of curve

- A - Normal
- B - Glue ear

A<sub>s</sub> - Otosclerosis

A<sub>D</sub> - Ossicle dislocation

C - Refracted TM / Eustachian tube blockage



- \* Type C is only on -ve side
- \* Type B is flat curve
- \* In tympanic membrane perforation, can't change pressure → so type B

## Part B

- \* It is stapedial reflex
- \* Principle: On hearing loud sound <sup>mca</sup> stapedius contracts, to protect the inner ear.  
(stapedius → stapes a little away from oval window → so all sound not going to inner ear)

### \* Stapedial reflex:

- Afferent: 8<sup>th</sup> CN
- Efferent: 7<sup>th</sup> CN

### \* This reflex is absent in

- 1) Deaf patients (no 8<sup>th</sup> CN)
- 2) Facial palsy (no 7<sup>th</sup> CN)
- 3) Otosclerosis

## Age induced hearing loss

### \* Also k/a Presbyacusis

- \* It causes high frequency hearing loss in early stages.

### \* Rx: Hearing aid

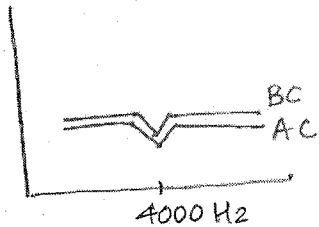
## Noise induced hearing loss

- \* It is an occupational disorder
- \* Permissible level of noise in industry is 90 dB (or 85 dB) 8 hrs a day or 5 days a week <sup>mca</sup> ( $85 \text{ dB} > 90 \text{ dB}$ )

- \* PTA there shows
  - & Pure tone audiometry)

- \* Dip at 4000 Hz in AC & BC

mca



## Dring induced hearing loss

### \* Ototoxicity

#### mca List of drugs

##### 1) Aminoglycosides

- Amikacin
- Gentamicin
- Streptomycin

##### 2) Diuretics:

- Frusemide
- Ethacrynic acid

##### 3) Antimalarial

- Chloroquine
- Quinine

##### 4) NSAIDs

- Aspirin
- Ibuprofen
- Indomethacin

##### 5) Anticancer drugs

- Cisplatin
- Carboplatin

- 6) Desferrioxamine (in thalassemia)
- 7) Erythromycin
- 8) Vancomycin

\* Drugs cause high frequency hearing loss in early stages.

mca \* So high frequency audiometry is used to diagnose ~~ototoxicity~~ ototoxicity.

mca ⇒ Temporal bone # in head injuries can lead to ossicle dislocation with normal TM → 54 dB<sup>loss</sup>, CHL

mca ⇒ If ossicle dislocation with perforated TM → 38 dB<sup>loss</sup>, CHL  
(through perforated hole, sound reaches cochlea)

⇒ Temporal bone # in head injury can causes facial palsy. It is of 2 types

mca 1) Immediate onset - due to injury to nerve at # line

Rx : Immediate Sx

mca 2) Delayed onset - edema of nerve due to # line.

Rx : Steroids

### GLUE EAR (Important)

\* Also k/a Serous Otitis media or secretory otitis media

\* It is collection of thick, sterile, glue like fluid in middle ear

\* MCC is Adenoid Hypertrophy blocking eustachian tube opening

\* Rare cause is nasopharyngeal cancer.

\* c/c: In school going child:

- 1) Dull heaviness in ear (painless)
- 2) Hearing loss
- 3) Poor school performance

\* Investigation

i) PTA (Poor tone Audiometry)

mca CHL, 10-40 dB hearing loss

ii) Tympanometry:

B (flat) curve

\* Rx: Myringotomy (incision in TM) in the anteroinferior quadrant

(But in ASOM - posteroinferior quad)

+ Grommet insertion

(middle ear ventilation tube)

± Adenoidectomy

### Barotrauma of Ear

(descend or  
ascend)

\* Also k/a Aero-otitis media of flight

\* Low to high pressure while landing

\* Eustachian tube fails to open

up → sudden retraction of TM

→ severe ear ache

\* Rx: Valsalva

(forceful expiration with closed nose & closed mouth)

↓  
If fails: Myringotomy + Grommet insertion

## Safe CSOM

- \* Also k/a Tubotympanic CSOM
- \* Presence of permanent central perforation in pars tensa of TM.
- \* Central means there is TM margin all around perforation.
- \* It is the sequelae of ASOM with perforation.
- \* C/F: (i) Ear discharge (which is mucopurulent, not foul smelling, Not blood stained)
- (ii) Hearing loss (In CSOM, ossicles also get eroded → MC is involved, particularly lenticular process of incus)
- \* Investigation: PTA → CHL  
(Pure tone Audiometry)
- \* Rx: Surgery

### 1) Myringoplasty (Repair of TM perforation using a graft)

- MC used graft is temporalis fascia.
- MC used technique is Underlay technique.

### 2) Tympanoplasty - Inspection & repair of TM & ossicles in addition to Myringoplasty.

## What is type III tympanoplasty?

Ossicle inspection shows M<sup>-</sup>I<sup>-</sup>S<sup>+</sup> (M eroded, I eroded, stapes normal)

↓  
TM graft is placed over stapes

↓  
~~mcu~~ Also k/a Myringostapediopexy or Columella tympanoplasty

## 3) Artificial ossicles

- \* Also k/a Ossicular replacement prosthesis (ORP)
- ~~mcu~~ \* Made of Titanium or Teflon
- \* It is of 2 types:
  - 1) Partial ORP (PORP)
  - 2) Total ORP (TORP)

- \* Partial used in M<sup>-</sup>I<sup>-</sup>S<sup>+</sup> situation
- \* TORP used in ~~mcu~~ M<sup>-</sup>I<sup>-</sup>S<sup>-</sup> head (only foot plate of stapes left)

## Unsafe CSOM

- \* Also k/a Attico antral ESDM
- \* It is characterised by the presence of cholesteatoma.
- \* Cholesteatoma is presence of skin in middle ear cavity.
- ~~mcu~~ \* It is pearly white in colour

## ■ Origin of cholesteatoma

### 1) Congenital

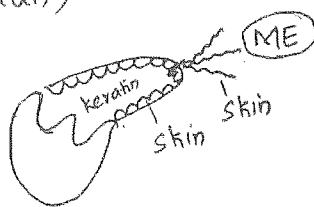
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Pearly white mass behind the intact TM.

### 2) Primary acquired cholesteatoma

MW

- Due to retraction pockets (RP-lined by skin & filled by keratin)



MCA

- This is the MC origin of cholesteatoma.

### 3) Secondary acquired cholesteatoma

- Due to marginal perforations



- EAC skin grows into the middle ear along absent margin.

MCQ'S

④ Retraction pockets are the MC of cholesteatoma formation

④ MC site of cholesteatoma →

Prussak's space in epitympanum

↓  
lies b/w pars flaccida & neck  
of the malleus

## • Why cholesteatoma is unsafe?

Due to bone eroding properties, which is a complication of unsafe CSOM.

## • Why so?

Skin should be communicating to outside world, as it is continuously shedding off.

↓  
Middle ear cleft is a closed space  
∴ This skin in middle ear cleft forms a skin lined, keratin filled expansile sac.

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this sac erodes surrounding bones.

## \* C/F:

1) Ear discharge - scanty, foul smelling (due to bone erosion), blood stained (due to the granulation formation)

2) Hearing loss

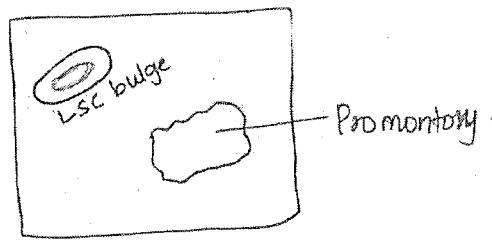
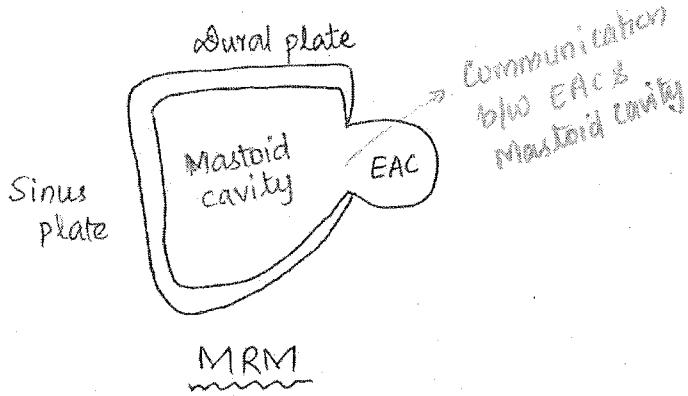
## \* Investigation:

- 1) PTA (Pure Tone Audiometry) (to look for bone erosion)
  - 2) X-ray mastoid
- Schuller's view
  - Towne's view

\* Rx: Surgery - MRM (modified radical mastoidectomy)

↓  
Also k/a mastoid exploration

↑  
Main aim of MRM - to make ear safe.



## \* Complications of unsafe CSOM:

### (A) Extracranial complications

- Mastoiditis
- Abscess formation
- Facial palsy
- Labyrinthine fistula
- Petrositis (Gradenigo syndrome)

⇒ Abscess formation in CSOM in Mastoiditis.

- 1) Mastoid abscess (post auricular)
- 2) LUC's abscess (in EAC)
- ~~mus~~ 3) Bezold's abscess (along SCM)
- 4) Citelli's abscess (along digastric muscle)

(SCM: Sternocleidomastoid muscle)

⇒ Mastoid abscess is the commonest site. (mca)

⇒ Labyrinthine fistula:

- It is erosion of bony cover of LSC bulge (lateral semicircular canal) on medial wall of middle ear.
- It is due to bone eroding properties of cholesteatoma.
- C/P: Vertigo.

- Fistula sign +ve

Tragal pressure

Seigelisation

~~mus~~ ■ False +ve fistula sign: (no fistula) (or Heinnebeit sign) seen in Congenital syphilis

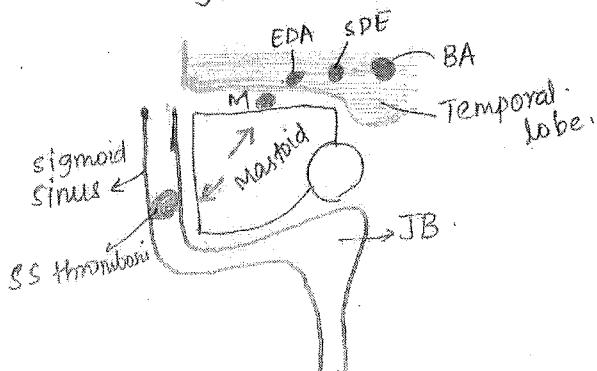
~~mus~~ ■ False -ve fistula sign (has fistula) seen in
 

- Fistula in dead labyrinth
- Fistula covered by cholesteatoma.

(True -ve fistula sign in Normal)

### (B) Intracranial complication

- Meningitis
- Extradural abscess
- Subdural empyema
- Brain abscess
- Sigmoid sinus thrombosis



### MCQs

- \* MC complication of CSOM  
Mastoiditis
- \* MC intracranial complicat<sup>n</sup> of CSOM  
meningitis
- \* MC site of brain abscess in CSOM  
Temporal lobe
- Sigmoid sinus thrombosis
- \* Also k/a lateral sinus thrombosis
- \* fever & spiky & with rigors & chills  
k/a Picket Fence fever  
(pus inside - causes fever)
- \* Has pitting edema over mastoid
- mis \* k/a Griessenger sign

\* No change in CSF pressure on pressing IJV (int. jugular vein)

\* It can be seen in 2 ways

- 1) Lumbar puncture  
Tobey Ayer test

2) Fundus examination

Crowe beck test

\* CT brain will show delta sign

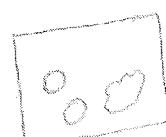
\* Rx: ~~MRM~~ MRM + Open sinus plate & clear thrombus.

### MCQs

- \* Unsafe CSOM → do MRM
  - \* Unsafe CSOM + complication → MRM
- (MRM also k/a mastoid exploration)
- except in 2 situations
- |                      |             |
|----------------------|-------------|
| (i) Subdural empyema | } Rx. Neuro |
| (ii) Brain abscess   | } surgery   |

### Otosclerosis (important)

- \* Also k/a Otospongiosis
- \* Fixation of stapes foot plate
- \* MC in young females in 2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> decade
- \* It is genetic disease (autosomal dominant)
- \* It is a bilateral disease
- \* Gradually progressive disease but pregnancy can aggravate it
- \* MC site of origin is a point anterior to oval window.  
↓  
point is k/a Fissula ante fenestrum
- \* Disease focus is pink in colour in early stages. It gradually turns white.
- \* Over next few years, the disease surround the foot plate from all around.



\* C/F: Young ♀, bilateral gradually

① progressive CHL

2) Patient can hear better in  
noisy areas - k/a as  
Paracusis Willisii

\* Other Rx:

1) Hearing aid (for pt unwilling  
for surgery)

2) ~~NaF~~ NaF (sodium fluoride)  
Rx OC for Schwartz  
sign +ve patients  
(i.e., early stage)

↓  
leads to stabilisation of  
disease (i.e., stops)

■ Van der Hoeve Syndrome:

- Otosclerosis
- Osteogenesis imperfecta
- Blue sclera.

Acoustic Neuroma (Important)

\* Also k/a Vestibular Schwannoma

\* It is benign tumour of 8<sup>th</sup> CN

\* MC site → Inferior division of 8<sup>th</sup> CN

\* Brain tumour

\* MC type of cerebellopontine angle brain tumour.

\* Mostly unilateral except in Neurofibromatosis type II

\* C/F: Unilateral, gradually

① progressive SNHL with tinnitus (ringing in ear)

② Imbalance.

\* Rx: Surgery → Stapedotomy >  
Stapedectomy



In this surgery, fixed stapes is replaced with an artificial piston made of Titanium or Teflon (question mark shape)



\* First nerve involved in this tumour  
is Trigeminal nerve

leads to absent corneal reflex  
(first sign)

\* Sensory division of facial nerve  
is also involved.

leads to Hitzelberger sign

(loss of sensation in the  
postero superior part of EAC)

\* Investigation:

1) PTA : U/L SNHL

2) Roll over phenomenon +ve

When intensity of sound is ↑  
the understanding of words  
even further falls down.

3) Gadolinium enhanced MRI  
(Best Radiological Investg)

\* Rx: Surgery

Menier's disease (Important)

\* Also k/a endolymphatic hydrops  
\* It is rise in endolymph volume  
due to faulty reabsorption by  
endolymphatic sac.

\* Mostly unilateral

\* 3rd - 4th decade, ♂ > ♀

\* Cause: Unknown

\* c/f → Episodic disease → each  
episode has tinnitus, vertigo  
with nausea & vomiting &  
hearing loss.

\* Episode finishes within 24 hrs.

\* Menier's is a cause of  
fluctuating hearing loss

\* Does not like noisy area due  
to recruitment phenomenon.

Abnormal perception of loudness

\* Can have vertigo on hearing  
loud sound k/a Tullio's  
phenomenon.

\* This patient can hear same sound  
in 2 different frequencies k/a  
Diplacusis

\* Investigation: (MCB)

1) PTA → low frequency hearing  
loss in early stages

2) Electrocotileography

Special investigation  
used to diagnose Menier's disease

\* Rx:

1) Antivertigo drugs during  
episodes

2) Acetazolamides (diuretics)  
in b/w episode

If no improvement seen then

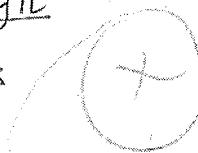
↓  
1) Endolymphatic sac decompression surgery.

MCA Donaldson's line is a surgical landmark for endolymphatic sac (to improve reabsorption)

2) Trans tympanic injection of Gentamicin (to kill inner ear)  
(done if patient requests)

\* This mass blanches on MCA Seigelisation k/a Brown sign

\* CT scan will show Phelp sign



(It is erosion of bony septum b/w carotid canal and jugular foramen)

\* C/C : Female pt with something MCA pulsating / bleeding in the ear

\* Rx : Surgery.

### Glomus Jugulare (Important)

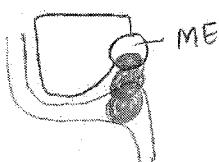
\* It is a benign but locally invasive,

\* highly vascular tumour arising from glomus cells lying around jugular bulb area

\* MCA in females

\* C/P : Female with pulsatile tinnitus

\* It can invade hypotympanum



MCA \* Tumour erodes the floor of middle ear & grows in to hypotympanum.



k/a Rising Sun sign

\* It erodes TM & grows in to EAC as red bleeding mass.

### FACIAL NERVE

\* It enters the ear through the internal auditory canal.

\* In the ear it passes through a bony canal k/a

Fallopian canal / Facial nerve canal

\* It comes out of the ear through styloid mastoid foramen.

\* Facial nerve canal has 3 sections

#### 1) Labyrinthine segment

MCA • It is the narrowest segment.

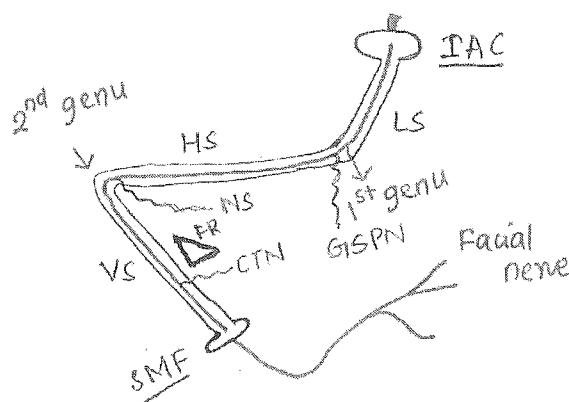
MCA • So called as bottle neck of facial nerve

2) Horizontal segment / Tympanic segment

3) Vertical segment / mastoid segment

MUR

MC injured segment in mastoid surgery.



\* Genu → Bend ( $1^{\text{st}}$  &  $2^{\text{nd}}$  genu)

\* It gives 3 branches in ear

(1) Greater superficial petrosal nerve (from  $1^{\text{st}}$  genu)

↓  
Supplies lacrimal gland

↓  
Name of test: Schirmer's test

(Test of lacrimation)

(2) Nerve to stapedius (from  $2^{\text{nd}}$  genu)

• Name of test is -

Stapedial reflex

(On hearing loud sound, stapedius contract)

(3) Corda tympani nerve

• Supplies taste sensations to ant.  $\frac{2}{3}$  of tongue.

\* Boundaries of Facial recess

1) Chorda tympani

2) Vertical segment of facial nerve

3) Short process of incus.

Facial nerve disorders

Bell's Palsy (Important)

\* It is idiopathic, sudden onset lower motor neuron facial paralysis.

\* It is mostly unilateral

\* Recent studies have shown some role of Herpes simplex virus in its etiology

↓

causes edema of nerve.

\* C/F:

MUR → Forehead muscle are also paralysed.

(because it is lower motor neuron type palsy)

⇒ Patient complaints of hyperacusis (sound) due to loss of stapedial reflex.

\* Rx: Oral steroids for 3 weeks

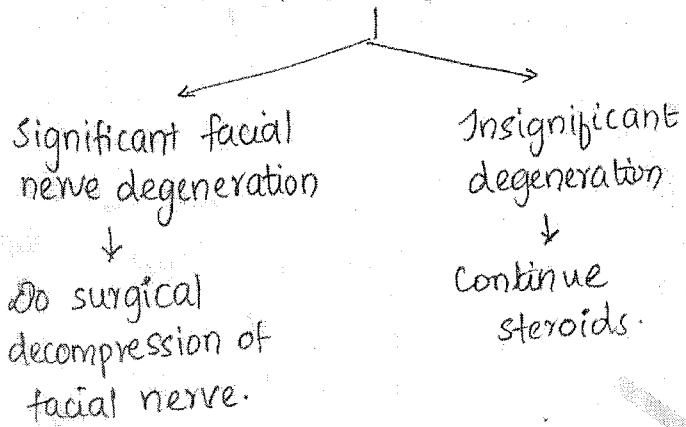
\* Other Rx: <sup>①</sup>Aцикловир (if patient comes within 3 days of onset)

2) Artificial tear drops to prevent exposure keratitis (corneal problem due to dryness)

\* Facial recovery is seen in 85% cases.  
(nearly universal)

\* Cases which do not show recovery after steroid Rx → we do

### Electrophysiological nerve testing



### MCQs (Important) (Already asked)

- \* Hyperacusis → Bell's palsy
- \* Diplacusis → Meniere's disease
- \* Paracusis willisi → Otosclerosis
- \* Presbycusis → Age related hearing loss.

### Herpes Zoster Oticus

\* Or Ramsay Hunt Syndrome.

\* C/F:

- (1) Painful vesicles on pinna & EAC
- (2) Lower motor neuron facial palsy ( $7^{\text{th}}$ )
- (3)  $\pm$  Vertigo, SNHL (due to  $8^{\text{th}}$  CN involvement)
- (4)  $\pm$  Anesthesia of face ( $5^{\text{th}}$  CN involvement)

mild

$\Rightarrow 7^{\text{th}} \text{ CN} \pm 8 \pm 5$

\* DDC: Acyclovir

\* Facial recovery is seen in 50% cases only.

### Temporal bone #



### Facial palsy

Delayed ←  
Immediate onset ↓

Due to edema of nerve due to #

Rx. - Steroids

Immediate onset ↓

It is due to direct injury to facial nerve by # line (cut)

Rx. - immediate surgery.

## Bilateral facial paralysis

\* Causes are:

- 1) sarcoidosis
- 2) Infection mononucleosis
- 3) Guillain Barré syndrome
- 4) Lyme disease.
- 5) Diabetes.

## Melkerrson Rosenthal syndrome

- \* Recurrent facial paralysis
- \* fissured tongue
- \* swelling of lips.

## HEARING AID

\* It is a device that amplifies sound

\* It has 4 parts:

- (1) Microphone (converts sound to current)
- (2) Amplifier (amplifies current)
- (3) Receiver (converts current to sound)
- (4) Battery.

\* Hearing aids are not of much use for profound hearing loss patient i.e., more than 90 decibel hearing loss.

\* For profound hearing loss we have cochlear implant surgery

## Hearing loss

- Mild  $\rightarrow$  26-40 DB (decibel)
- Moderate  $\rightarrow$  41-55 DB
- Moderately severe  $\rightarrow$  56-70 DB
- Severe  $\rightarrow$  71-90 DB
- Profound  $\rightarrow$   $> 90$  DB

## COCHLEAR IMPLANT

\* It does direct electrical stimulation of cochlear nerve endings.

\* Indications:

- Bilateral profound hearing loss ( $> 90$  DB)

\* Pre-requisite for cochlear implant is Normal 8<sup>th</sup> CN.

\* It has two components

- a) External  $\rightarrow$  It has 4 parts
  - 1) microphone
  - 2) ~~Amplifier~~ Speech processor
  - 3) Transmitter
  - 4) Battery

b) Internal component has only one part -

Electrode / Receiver / stimulator.

↓  
Electrode is surgically placed in scala tympani of cochlea

↓  
It is placed through round window membrane.

- \* Cochlear implant surgery is followed by speech therapy.

AUDITORY BRAIN STEM

IMPLANT (ABI)

- \* This implant does electrical stimulation of auditory pathway which lies in brainstem area.

\* Indications:

- MIA - Neurofibroma type II  
 ↓  
 Bilateral Acoustic Neuroma (8<sup>th</sup> CN damage)  
 (for cochlea implant we need normal 8<sup>th</sup> CN)

- \* Site : Placed at lateral recess of 4<sup>th</sup> ventricle.

(should be away from medulla)

## ORAL CAVITY & PHARYNX

### Pre-malignant conditions of Oral cavity

- 1) Leukoplakia
- 2) Erythroplakia
- 3) Oral submucous fibrosis
- 4) Lichen planus

\* MC is leukoplakia

### Oral submucous fibrosis

- \* Fibrosis in submucosal layer of oral cavity.
- \* Very common in India
- \* Cause: Chewing of Betel nut & Tobacco

\* C/C :

- Soreness of mouth
- Trismus (difficulty in opening mouth)

\* It is pre-malignant condition

\* Rx :- Stop the irritant

- Oral injections of Dexamethasone
- + Hyaluronidase (to dissolve fibrosis)

MCA

- MC site to develop oral cavity cancer is

Lateral border of tongue

- mca
- MC site of oral cavity (a in India)  
Gingivo buccal sulcus  
 (buccal mucosa)

Mu  
⇒ Reverse smoking (chutta) is a risk factor for (burning end inside mouth)

## PHARYNX

\* It is fibromuscular tube which extends from skull base to C6 vertebrae.

Mu  
Hard palate carcinoma

⇒ Commando's operation:

\* It is combined oromandibular resection with radical neck dissection



This is done for oral cavity cancer with mandibular involvement

Mu  
⇒ Fordyce spot

\* It is ectopic presence of sebaceous gland in buccal mucosa.

Mu  
⇒ Ludwig's Angina:

\* It is the infection of floor of mouth also k/a submandibular space.

\* Floor of mouth is made by mylohyoid muscle.

\* Source of infection is dental roots

\* Bacteria: mixed (MCQ)

↓  
Streptococci + Anaerobes

\* C/F:

1) Chin swelling

2) Trismus

3) Sometimes respiratory distress.

\* Rx: External incision & drainage + Antibiotics

\* Sometimes tracheostomy may be required.

\* Has 3 parts

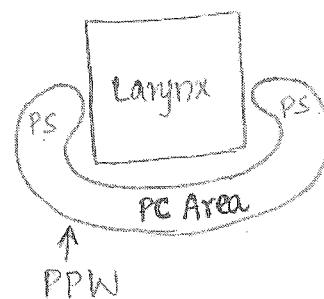
- 1) Nasopharynx
- 2) Oropharynx
- 3) Laryngopharynx

## Laryngopharynx

\* Also k/a Hypopharynx

\* It has 3 parts -

- 1) Pyriform sinus (right & left)
- 2) Post cricoid area
- 3) Posterior pharyngeal wall



\* MC site of hypopharyngeal malignancy is

Pyriform sinus

## Plummer Vinson Syndrome

- \* Middle age female (40 yr)
- \* Anemia (iron deficiency)
- \* Dysphagia (post. cricoid web)

⇒ 40 yr old ♀ with post cricoid web  
Plummer Vinson syndrome

## Nasopharynx

- \* Has 4 topics

### (1) Thornwaldt disease

Infection of bursa of the nasopharynx.

### (2) Adenoid

- \* Also k/a nasopharyngeal tonsil
- \* It is collection of lymphoid tissue which lies at the junction of root & post. junction of nasopharynx.
- \* It has no capsule, no crypts, no definite blood supply

- ⇒
- \* It has irregular feel k/a bag of worm feel.
  - \* Adenoids are present at birth, they physiologically increase in size up to 6 yrs of age.
  - \* Start decreasing in size at puberty
  - \* Disappear by 20 yrs of age.

## Adenoid hypertrophy

- \* It is a disease of school going age
- \* Cause: Recurrent upper respiratory infections.
- \* C/C - Adenoid face
  - (i) Pinch nose
  - (ii) Open mouth
  - (iii) High palate
  - (iv) Malocclusion of teeth.

- \* Patient can have glue ear

- \* Rx : Adenoidectomy

- \* Always palpate the adenoid before removal to confirm diagnosis

- \* Method: Curettage



Done using St. Clair Thomson

Adenoid Curette.

- \* Complications:

- 1) Hemorrhage
- 2) Injury to eustachian tube opening.
- 3) Atlantoaxial subluxation ( $C_1 - C_2$ )

⇒ Also k/a Grisel syndrome

(it is due to position of neck extension)



This position also seen in tonsillectomy.

\* C/I :

- 1) Hb < 10 gm%.
- 2) Bleeding disorder
- 3) Active infection
- 4) Hypernasality

### 3) Angiofibroma

\* MC benign tumor of nasopharynx

\* It arises from sphenopalatine foramen.

\* Highly vascular tumor.

mc \* c/c : Profuse epistaxis (nose bleeding)

mc \* Biopsy is C/I. (since bleeding)

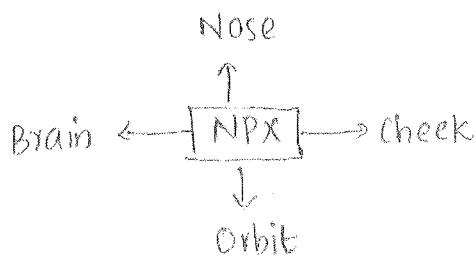
\* Seen in adolescent boys (12-14 yr)

#### Highly vascular tumor in ENT

1) Angiofibroma (only in ♂)

2) Glomus jugulare (MC in ♀)

\* It is locally invasive



mc \* If it invades to orbit → k/a  
Frog face deformity

mc

\* 12 yr old boy with nasal mass with profuse epistaxis

\* IOP → CECT

mc

Shows Hollmann Miller sign  
Also k/a Antral Sign

↓  
It is anterior bowing of the posterior wall of maxilla.

\* Can do Angiography (vascular tumor)  
to find out main source of blood supply of tumor.

\* Rx : Surgery

#### 4) Nasopharyngeal carcinoma

\* MC in China

mc \* Aetiology is EBV (Epstein Barr virus)

\* (+ Genetics)

mc \* Site of Origin : Fossa of Rosenmüller

\* It lies just above eustachian tube opening.

mc

\* C/F → MC is metastatic cervical lymphadenopathy

↓

Also k/a 2° neck node

\* Then nasal blockage & epistaxis

\* Unilateral conductive hearing loss → glue ear due to eustachian tube blockage.

MCA

- \* It can involve all CN except 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> CN

↓  
So facial palsy / sensorineuronal hearing loss will not be present

↓  
when everything involved, like

### Trotter's triad

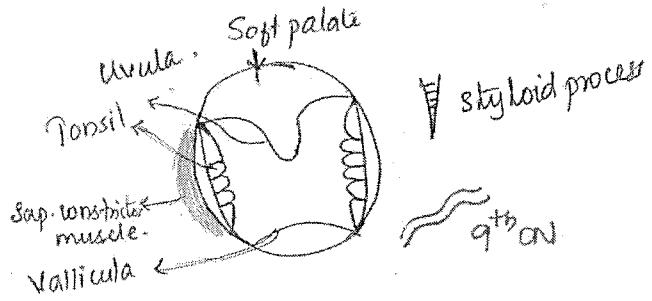
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- Unilateral CHL
- Temporoparietal pain (5<sup>th</sup> CN)
- Palatal palsy (10<sup>th</sup> CN)

\* Rx : Radiotherapy .

### Gardinégo syndrome :

- Ear discharge
- Retro orbital pain (5<sup>th</sup> CN)
- Diplopia (6<sup>th</sup> CN)



\* Bed of tonsil is made by Superior constrictor muscle.

\* Styloid process & glossopharyngeal nerve lie in the bed of tonsil.

\* ~~stylosoma~~

~~MCA~~ styalgia/eagle syndrome

↓  
Long styloid process touching the 9<sup>th</sup> CN

↓  
It will cause throat pain referred to ear.

↓  
Rx : Styloidectomy .

\* Tonsil has capsule, crypts

\* Largest crypt in tonsil

Crypta magna ←

\* Main blood supply of tonsil

Tonsillar branch of facial artery.

\* Venous drainage of tonsil

Paratonsilar vein

↓

This is main source of bleeding during tonsillectomy

### Oropharynx

\* It has following parts :

- 1) Soft palate, ~~uvula~~
- 2) Uvula
- 3) Ant. & post. tonsillar pillar
- 4) Tonsil - Palatine tonsil
- 5) Base of tongue - Post.  $\frac{2}{3}$  of tongue which has lingual tonsil
- 6) Vallcula (end of tongue)
- 7) Posterior pharyngeal wall

## Tonsillectomy

\* Complications are :

1) Primary hemorrhage  
(during surgery)

2) Reactionary hemorrhage  
(it is postoperative within  
24 hr of surgery)

↓  
due to slippage of ligature  
↓

MUR Rx : Re-exploration

3) Secondary hemorrhage  
(after 5<sup>th</sup> day of surgery)

↓  
Due to infection of tonsillar  
fossa (mild bleeding)

MUR Rx : i.v Antibiotics

MUR

\* C/C :

- Throat pain - Trismus
- Dysphagia
- Hot potato voice

MUR \* Rx :

Per oral incision & drainage  
in sitting position + Antibiotics

\* Some surgeons remove tonsil to  
drain the abscess.

MUR

↓  
It is called Abscess / Hot tonsillectomy  
(hot → inflamed)

↓  
But it is better to remove  
tonsil after 6 wks of abscess  
drainage.

MUR

↓  
This is k/a Interval tonsillectomy

## Quinsy

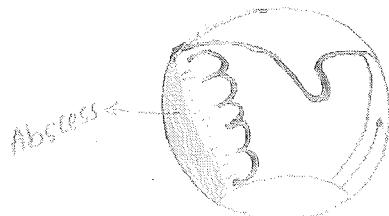
\* Also k/a Peritonsillar abscess

\* It is collection of pus b/w tonsil  
and its bed (sup. constrictor muscle)

\* MC in adults

\* Mostly unilateral.

\* Examination → Tonsil is pushed  
medially, uvula is pushed to  
the other side

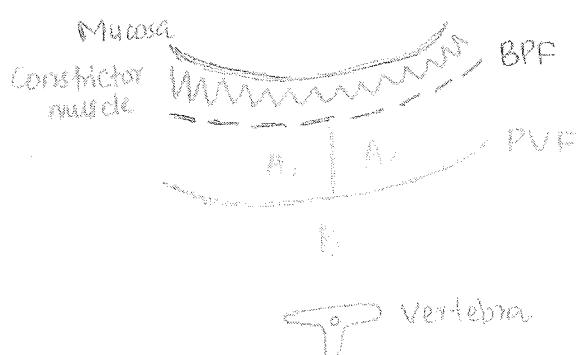


## Quienke's disease

\* It is sudden idiopathic edema  
of uvula

## Retropharyngeal space &

## Prevertebral space



- \* Space A → Retropharyngeal space
- \* It is divided into 2 halves by a midline band
- mca \* These 2 halves are k/a Spaces of Gillette
- mca \* This space has retropharyngeal LN → Also k/a LN of Rouviere.
- \* Space B is Prevertebral space

### Laryngeal Crepitus

- \* Present in normal people.
- \* Clicking sensation felt when larynx is moved over vertebra.
- \* It is absent in post cricoid carcinoma.
- \* Absence of laryngeal crepitus is called Moure's sign.

Space A abscess	Space B abscess
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acute retropharyngeal abscess</li> <li>• Due to infection of retropharyngeal LN</li> <li>• MC in children</li> <li>• C/C - Respiratory distress, stridor, dysphagia</li> <li>• Examination shows unilateral bulge on post. pharyngeal wall.</li> <li><u>mca</u> • X-ray neck lateral view → <u>Widening of prevertebral shadow</u></li> <li>• Rx → Incision &amp; Drainage + Antibiotics</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prevertebral abscess</li> <li>• MC in adults <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Due to TB of cervical spine.</li> <li>• C/C - Neck pain, dysphagia, low grade fever.</li> <li>• Examination shows midline bulge.</li> <li>• X-ray cervical spine shows Pott spine features (TB spine)</li> <li>• Rx → Incision &amp; drainage + Antitubercular therapy.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

## NOSE & PARANASAL SINUS

### External nose:

- \* It is made of 3 pairs of
  - 1) Nasal bones
  - 2) Upper lateral cartilages
  - 3) Lower lateral cartilages  
(or Alar cartilage)
- \* Alar cartilage designs the external opening of nose.
- \* Nasal valve → Junction of upper lateral & lower lateral cartilages
- \* Cottle's test → Done to check the blockage of nasal valve.

\* 

### Nasal bone #

- \* MC # of face
- \* Rx. → Immediate closed reduction  
(before edema starts)

\* Done using

Walsham forceps

### Nasal septum #

- \* It is of 2 types
  - Horizontal / Jarjaway #
  - Vertical / Chevallot #

- \* Horizontal → force from front
- Vertical → force from below.

\* Rx is # reduction

\* Using:

MIS

Asch forceps

Nasal bone # : Walsham forceps

Nasal septum # : Asch forceps

### Zygomatic #

\* Also k/a Tripod #.

\* It is 2nd MC # of face

\* C/F

1) Flattened malar eminence  
(below eye)

2) Step deformity of infra-orbital margin

↓  
causes diplopia.

3) Anesthesia of cheek due to injury to intra orbital nerve

4) Trismus (difficulty in opening of mouth)

\* Rx : Open reduction & fixation.

MIS

⇒ MC # part of mandible  
Condyle (subcondylar #)

### Rhinophyma

\* Also k/a Potato nose

\* It is hypertrophy of sebaceous glands of skin of external nose.

\* MC in males

- \* It is a type of Acne rosacea
- \* Rx → Laser excision + skin grafting

### Rhinolith

- \* Formation of stone in nasal cavity
- \* MC in adults
- \* Made of  $\text{CaCO}_3$ ,  $\text{CaPO}_4$ ,  $\text{MgCO}_3$ ,  $\text{MgPO}_4$ .
- \* C/C :
  - Nasal pain
  - Nasal blockage
  - Epistaxis (bleeding from nose)
- \* Rx:
  - Endoscopic removal.

MCQ

- ⇒ A 7 yr old child with unilateral, foul smelling nasal discharge & epistaxis

Foreign body nose.

(Infection → Bilateral)

MCQ

- ⇒ A 2 yr old child with polypoidal mass <sup>in or</sup> around nasal cavity

↓  
Get a CT scan done first  
to rule out the possibility  
of encephalocele (brain herniation)  
(root of nose is base of brain)

### Myiasis

- \* Maggots in nose.  
(larvae of housefly)

(MCQ)

### Chrysomia

- \* Foul smelling conditions lead to myiasis  
eg: Foreign body nose,  
Atrophic rhinitis,
- \* Rx → Maggot oil instillation
- \* Maggot oil contains:  
Chloroform + Turpentine oil
- \* Also use mosquito net.

### NASAL CAVITY

- \* 8 cm in length

### Lateral wall of nose (Important)

- \* It has 3 projections k/a Turbinates
  - 1) Inferior
  - 2) Middle
  - 3) Superior

\* Variation → Some people have an extra turbinate above superior

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k/a supreme turbinate

- \* Bony part of turbinate is k/a Concha

mid

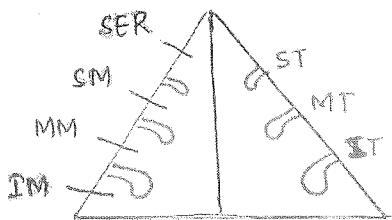
- \* Inferior concha is an independent bone.

- \* Middle & Sup. concha are part of ethmoid bone.

- \* Choana → it is the posterior opening of nasal cavity

- \* Meatus is the space below the turbinate.

- Inferior meatus
- middle meatus
- Superior meatus



- \* Sphenoethmoid recess → area above superior turbinate

### Paranasal Sinuses

- \* 4 pairs (around nose)

- 1) Maxillary sinus
- 2) Frontal sinus
- 3) Ethmoid air cells
- 4) Sphenoid sinus

Maxillary sinus is also k/a Antrum of Highmore

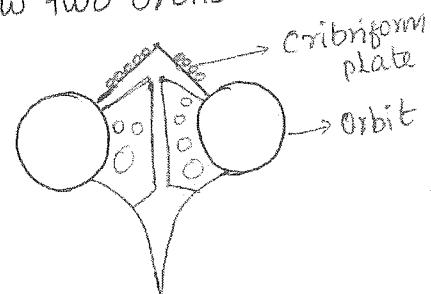
\* It is largest sinus → 15 ml.

### Ethmoid air cells

Anterior group  
2-8

Posterior group  
1-8

- \* Ethmoid is a single bone lies b/w two orbits.



- \* Small holes in ~~ethmoid~~ ethmoid bone above → Cribiform plate

↓  
Olfactory nerve passes

- \* Sphenoid sinus lies in the body of sphenoid which lies in the orbit.

- \* Sinuses produce mucus continuously which is discharged in to the nose.

- \* Every sinus has a specific area of drainage in the nose.

- \* Sinuses are ventilated during expiratory phase of respiration

structures opening in nose

Nasolacrimal duct → Inf. meatus

2) Maxillary sinus }  
Frontal sinus }  
Ant. ethmoid air cell } Middle meatus

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3) Posterior ethmoid air cells → Sup. meatus

### C/P of sinusitis:

- Nasal blockage
- Purulent nasal discharge
- Post nasal drip
- ↓ smell
- Headache

### Middle meatus

\* It is the most important area for sinus drainage

\* Has 3 landmarks:

#### 1) Bulla ethmoidalis

↓  
Most constant & largest ant. ethmoid air cell.

#### 2) Uncinate process

↓  
Sickle shaped bone which covers bulla ethmoidalis

#### 3) Ethmoidal infundibulum

↓  
It is a space b/w bulla ethmoidalis & uncinate process

\* 3 sinuses open in to the ethmoidal infundibulum area of the middle meatus



This whole complex (1, 2, 3) is Kla Osteomeatal complex (OMC)

\* If OMC blocks → Sinusitis

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⇒ Office headache is a feature of frontal sinusitis

⇒ If duration of symptoms of sinusitis more than 3 months



chronic rhinosinusitis (CRS)

### \* Investigation:

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1) Diagnostic nasal endoscopy is the first I.O.C



pus present in middle meatus is an evidence of sinusitis

2) X-ray paranasal sinuses

↓ Water's view (open mouth)

me  
Best X-ray view for all sinuses except ethmoid

me  
3) CT scan → Best radiological investigation

\* Rx: Antibiotic + Decongestants for 3 wks



If no relief → Rx: Surgery

Surgery ⇒ FESS (functional endoscopic sinus surgery)

\* Main aim of FESS to reopen the drainage of sinus.

### Complications of sinusitis:

#### 1) Orbital infection

MC seen in Ethmoid sinusitis

[MCQ]

#### 2) Mucocele formation

It is expansion of bony wall of sinus due to retained mucus inside it.



MC in frontal sinus

#### 3) Pott's puffy tumor

It is osteomyelitis of the frontal bone which is a complication of frontal sinusitis.

### Development of Sinuses

\* Sinuses develop in this sequence:

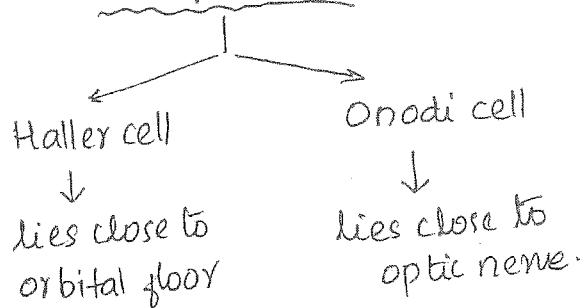


\* First → Maxillary

\* Last → Frontal

\* Ethmoid is most developed sinus at birth.

### Variations of ethmoid air cells



### Agger Nasi

\* It is the anterior most anterior ethmoid air cell.

(Agge → front)  
(mindi)

### MCQs

\* MC benign tumor of sinuses  
Osteoma.

• Osteoma are MC in frontal sinus

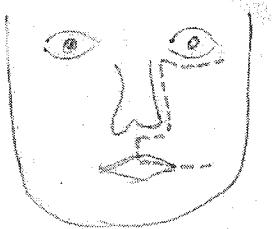
\* Malignancy is MC in the  
Maxillary sinus

\* Mucocele is MC in the  
Frontal sinus

\* Aspergilloma / fungal ball is MC in  
Maxillary sinus

## Malignancy of sinuses

- \* MC sinus → Maxillary sinus
- \* Etiology : Exposure to
  - 1) Nickel → Squamous cell Ca
  - 2) Hard wood dust → Adenocarcinoma
- \* C/F of carcinoma maxillary sinus.
  - 1) Cheek swelling
  - 2) Anesthesia of cheek due to involvement of infra orbital nerve
  - 3) Nasal mass & Epistaxis (nasal bleeding)
  - 4) Loss of upper teeth
  - 5) Proptosis & loss of vision
- \* Rx : Total maxillectomy + Radiotherapy  
(by Weber Fergusson approach)



- \* Ohngren's line → from medial canthus of eye to angle of mandible

↓  
tumors above  
this line has  
poor prognosis

↓  
due to early orbital involvement.



## Inverted Papilloma of Nose

- MC
- \* Also k/a Ringertz tumor
- \* MC in males → 40-60 yrs
- \* Arises from lateral wall of nose
- \* On histopathology exam, this papilloma is seen to be growing inwards. (normally → above) epithelium.  
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 ∴ It is k/a inverted papilloma.
- \* So it is a locally invasive tumor.
- \* It can ~~sometimes~~ sometimes show malignant change.
- \* Rx : surgery.

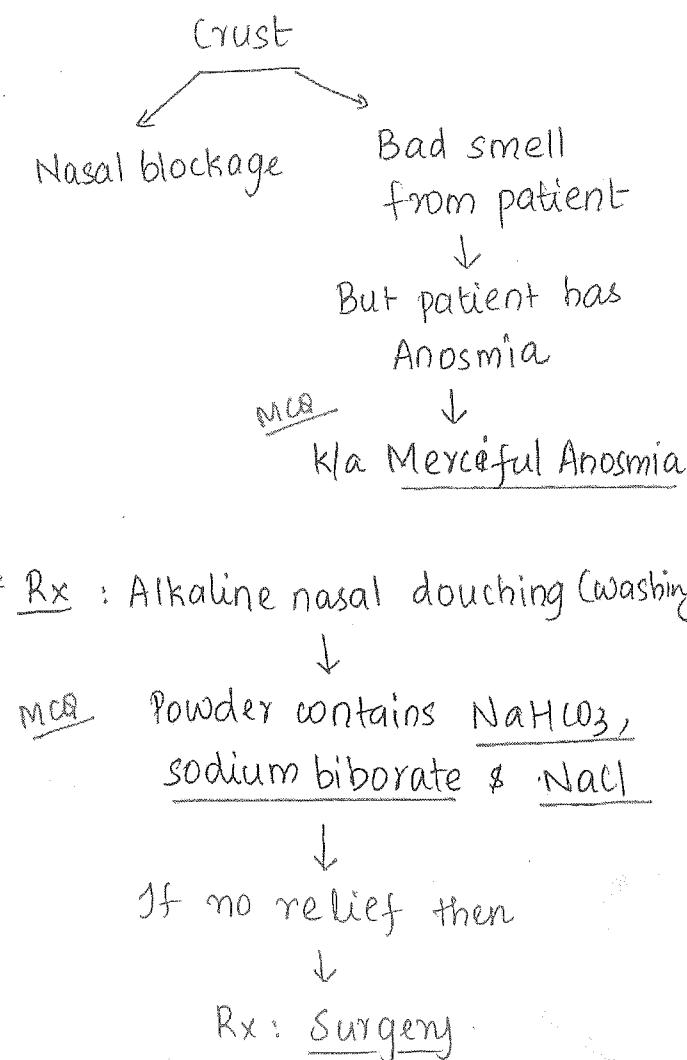
## Atrophic Rhinitis (Important)

- \* Also k/a Ozeana
- \* It is atrophy of mucosa, submucosa & underlying bones of nasal cavity
- \* It is MC in females.
- \* Cause → Autoimmunity or infection by Klebsiella Ozeana

- \* Examination : Turbinates are shrunken → wide, noisy, nasal cavities

↓  
but full of crusts (dried mucus)

↓  
Crust cause 2 problems



- \* Lautenslager's operation is the medialisation of lateral wall of nose, so that nasal cavity becomes less roomy (spacious)

### Rhinoscleroma (Important)

- \* Also k/a woody nose.
- \* It is chronic granulomatous infection of nose & upper lip.
- \* It is caused by Klebsiella rhinoscleromatis (Frisch bacillus)
- \* MC in North India (UP, Rajasthan)
- \* stages :
  - 1) Atrophic stage  
Resembles Atrophic rhinitis
  - 2) Granulomatous stage
  - 3) Stage of fibrosis
- \* MC Biopsy shows Russel bodies & Mikulicz cells
- \* DOC: Tetracycline + streptomycin

### Rhinosporidiosis (Important)

- \* It is the infection of nose by Rhinosporidium seebri
- \* The infection is acquired by taking bath in dirty ponds used by animals also.
- \* MC in South India

Used nowadays:

\* The infection can involve nose, oral cavity, conjunctiva & genital areas.

\* Nose is MC site.

\* C/F → Mulberry like nasal mass and Epistaxis.

\* Rx → Surgery (Excision of mass with cautery of base)

↓  
Dapsone is given after surgery to prevent recurrence

↓  
So DOC is Dapsone.

### CSF Rhinorrhea

\* MC site is Cribiform plate.

\* MCC → Head injury / Trauma

\* To confirm diagnosis

1) CSF is drop like water (non-sticky)

↓  
Do Hand kerchief test

2) Biochemical analysis (protein, sugar in CSF)

3)  $\beta_2$ -transferrin estimation

↓  
Most confirmatory test

\* Best radiological investigation to find site of leak is

HRCT skull base

muc

\* Best Rx is conservative Rx for 7-10 days.

- Antibiotics

- Bed rest

- Elevate the head

- Cough suppressants

- Stool softeners

} ↓ CSF pressure

↓  
If the leak does not stop

↓  
Surgical repair.

### Mucormycosis

\* Fungal infection of nose by mucor group of fungus

\* Seen in HIV +ve & young diabetics

\* Mucor → Angio invasive fungus i.e., it enters the blood vessels.

↓

so it reaches the orbit & brain

\* It is a life threatening condition

\* C/F : Blood vessels blocked

↓

Ischemic necrosis

Blackish mass ← → Blackish discoloration  
in nose around eyes

\* DOC → Amphotericin-B

## Rhinitis Medicamentosa

- \* It is due to prolonged use of nasal decongestant drops.  
eg: Xylometazoline.

leads to rebound congestion

- \* Rx: Stop nasal drops + start steroid nasal spray

## Vasomotor Rhinitis

- \* It is parasympathetic overactivity in nasal mucosa
- \* On change in temperature, patient have excessive watery nasal discharge
- \* There is no seasonal variation
- \* Serum IgE levels are normal.

- \* Rx: Vidian neurectomy (VMR)

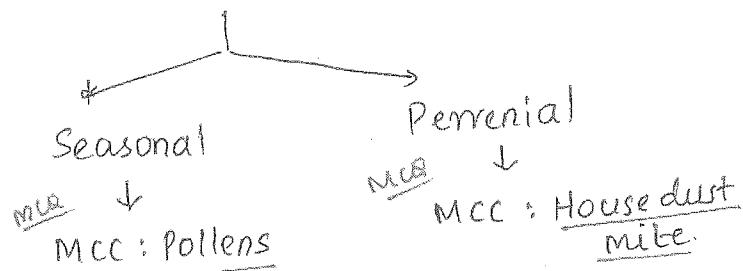
- \* Vidian nerve is also k/a

Nerve of pterygoid canal

Gives autonomic nerve supply to nose.

## Allergic Rhinitis

- \* It is type I allergic reaction
- \* IgE mediated.
- \* 2 types
  - 1) Seasonal
  - 2) Perennial



- \* Rx: Anti-allergic drugs  
eg: Cetirizine.

## Nasal polyp:

- \* A polyp is prolapsed, pedunculated, mucosa of nose or sinus
- \* Cause → chronic infection or allergy

Inflammation

↓  
Edema → Polyp.

- \* 2 types:

- 1) Antrochoanal polyp / Killian's polyp.

- Originates from maxillary sinus and grows towards choana
- So it is better seen on posterior rhinoscopy.
- MC in children
- Due to chronic infection
- single, unilateral
- Rx → FESS (endoscopic removal)

FESS > Polypectomy

- Recurrence is less common

## 2) Ethmoidal polyp:

- Also k/a Nasal polyp
- Originates from ethmoid air cell
- Can be seen on anterior rhinoscopy
- MC in adults
- Due to chronic allergy
- Multiple, bilateral
- Rx. → Topical corticosteroid nasal spray.

eg: Fluticasone

(Corticosteroids → anti-inflammatory)

↓  
If no improvement

↓  
Rx: FESS

But recurrence is very common.

(FESS- fundus endoscopic sinus Sx)

### Sampter's triad

- ✓ It is allergy to Aspirin (NSAIDS)
- ✓ Ethmoid nasal polyp
- ✓ Bronchial Asthma

### Olfaction

- \* Olfactory epithelium lines upper 1/3 of nasal cavity
- \* Olfactory neurons pass through cribiform plate

\* Hyposmia is decreased sense of smell.

\* Anosmia → total loss of sense of smell.

### \* Causes :

#### Obstructive

- Polyps
- DNS (Deviated Nasal septum)
- ITH (Inferior turbinate hypertrophy)
- Atrophic Rhinitis (crust)

#### Neurological

- Head injury
- Diabetes
- Parkinsonism
- Alzheimer's disease.

### Kallmann's syndrome

- \* Anosmia + Hypogonadism OR infertility

- \* A patient ~~can't~~ of anosmia can still sense NH<sub>3</sub> (Ammonia)

↓  
Because NH<sub>3</sub> is not a smell, it is an irritant

↓  
It is sensed through Trigeminal nerve.

## Cacosmia

- \* Perception of bad smell from oneself due to a cause  
eg: Dental infection

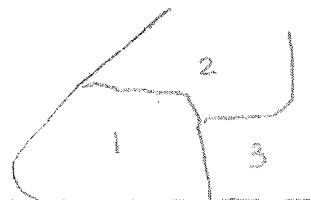
## Parosmia

- \* It is a paranoid sensation of bad smell from oneself without any cause.

## Nasal Septum

& It is made up of :

- (a) 3 major parts
  - i) Septal cartilage / quadrangular cartilage.
  - ii) Perpendicular plate of ethmoid
  - iii) Vomer



b) 4 minor parts

- i) Spine of maxilla
- ii) Spine of frontal bone
- iii) Rostrum of sphenoid
- iv) Crest of Palatine & Maxillary bones.

## DNS

& Deviated Nasal Septum

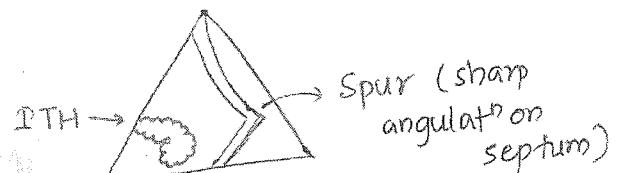
& It can lead to

1) Nasal blockage

2) ↓ smell

3) Sinusitis (due to blockage of drainage of sinuses)

4) Epistaxis (Nose bleeding due to spur formation)



5) ~~rest~~ formation in patent (open) side due to ↑ airflow.

There is compensatory ITH (Inf. turbinate hypertrophy) on patent side

## MUL

ITH gives mulberry appearance of nasal mucosa

• Mulberry like nasal mass  
Rhino sporidiosis

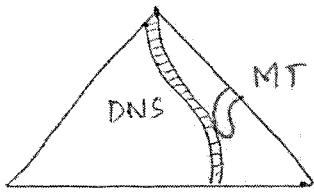
• Mulberry like appearance

## ITH

6) External nasal deformities

7) Sniffers neuralgia

Studd's neuralgia  
 ↓  
 due to contact b/w DNS &  
 middle turbinate  
 ↓  
 leads to neuralgic headache



1) TB  
 Leprosy  
 Lupus } Perforation of  
 cartilaginous part

MN Syphilis → Perforation of  
 the bony part

Wegner's -  
 granulomatous } Both

- \* Rx OC → Surgery - Septoplasty
- \* C/C : Whizzing sound.
- \* Rx : Closure of perforation using septal button's (obturators)

### Septal Hematoma

- \* Cause: Trauma
- \* Bilateral
- \* C/C → Swelling around the nose & bilateral nasal blockage
- \* Rx. → Immediate Aspiration or drainage of hematoma
- \* Otherwise septal hematoma converts to septal abscess → septal perforation.

MN → MC complication of any nasal surgery is

Synechiae formation  
 in nose (adhere)

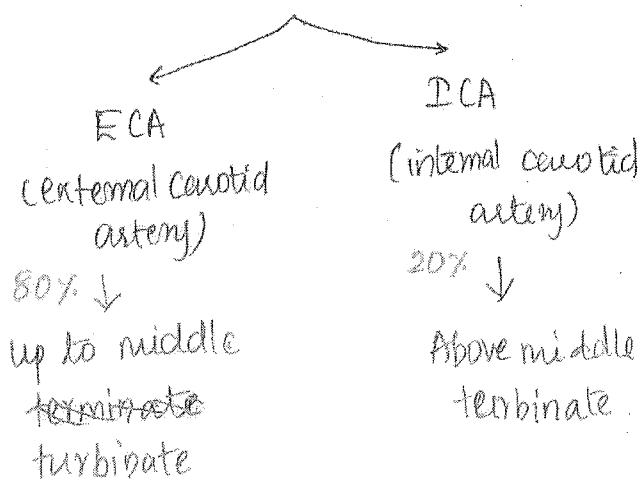
MN ↓  
 Prevented by topical application of Mitomycin-C

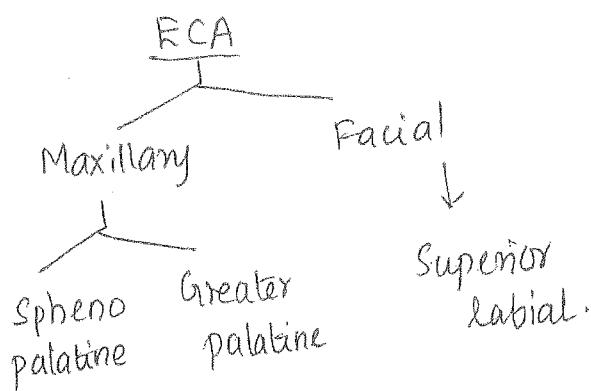
↓  
 Anticancer drug with additional antifibroblastic properties.

### Septal Perforation

- \* Causes :
  - 1) MCC is Trauma
  - 2) Septal surgery
  - 3) Cocaine snuffing (vasoconstrictor → rush of blood to brain)  
 ↓  
 ischemia of septum.

### Blood supply of Nose





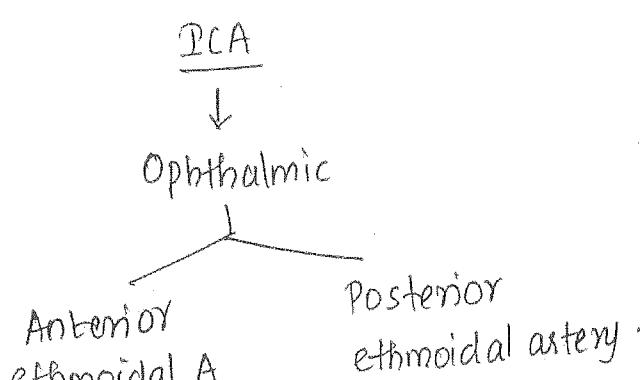
\* Other area:

### Wooldruff plexus

↓  
posterior, lateral wall & venous

\* MCC → Finger nail trauma/  
Nose picking.

\* Other causes:



⇒ Artery of epistaxis is  
Sphenopalatine artery

### Epistaxis (full MCA)

\* MC area: Little's area

↓  
lies at antero-inferior part  
of the nasal septum.

↓  
this area has Keisselbach's  
plexus of 4 arteries

- 1) Sphenopalatine
- 2) Greater palatine
- 3) Sup. labial
- 4) Ant. ethmoidal

\* (except post. ethmoidal A)

1) Hypertension

- Seen in elderly patients
- Posterior epistaxis
- MC source: Sphenopalatine artery

2) Bleeding disorders

3) Drugs → Anticoagulants

4) Hemorrhagic fever  
(Dengue)

5) Foreign body nose, Rhinolith

6) Infection

7) Tumors

\* Management:

1) Pinch the nose for 5-7 min

2) Chemical cauterization of  
little's area with  
Silver nitrate

3) Anterior nasal packing  
on both sides

4) Posterior nasal packing  
(OT procedure)

5) ESPAL (Endoscopic Spheno  
palatine artery ligation)

- 6) Maxillary artery ligation
- 7) Ext. carotid artery ligation  
(done at the level of neck)

⇒ Differentiate b/w ECA & ICA

- ICA has no branch in the neck
- But ECA has 8 branches in the neck.

meo  
⇒ If bleeding persists even after ECA ligation, then source of bleeding is ethmoidal arteries

↓  
So do their ligation

